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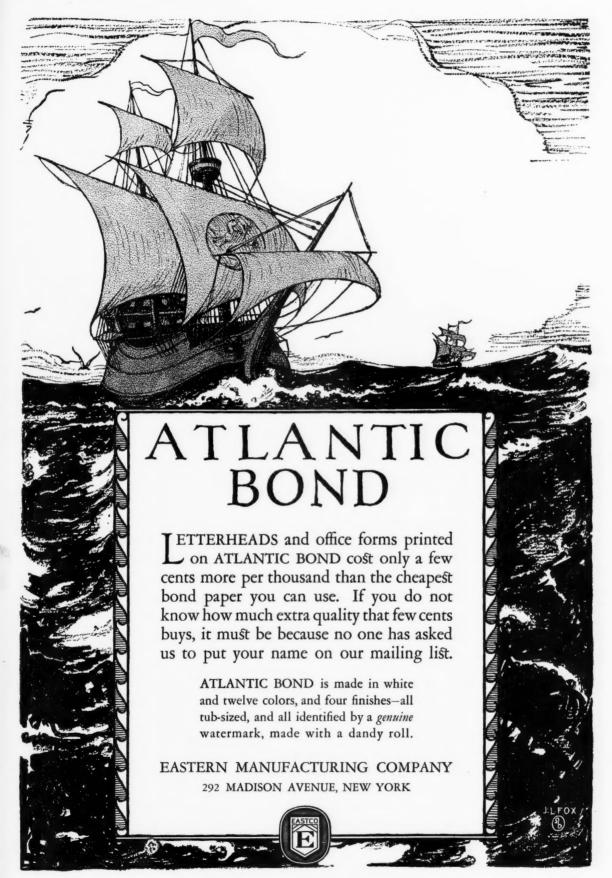
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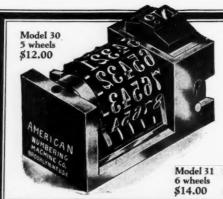
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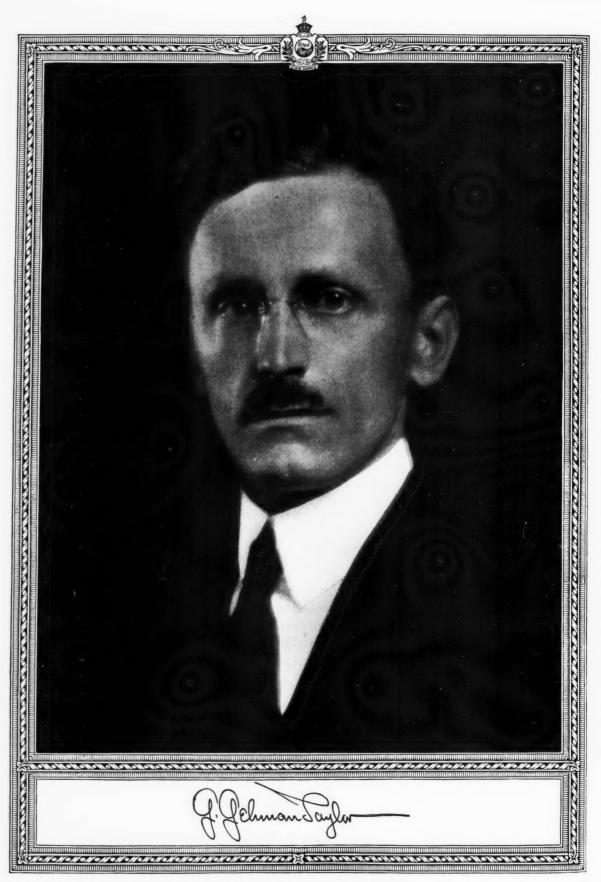


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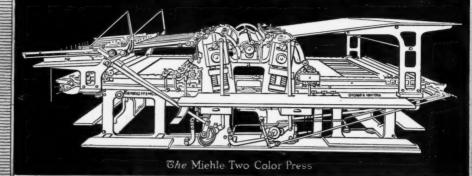
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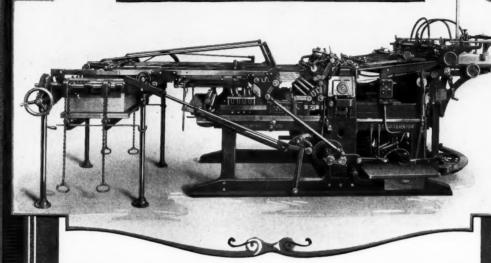
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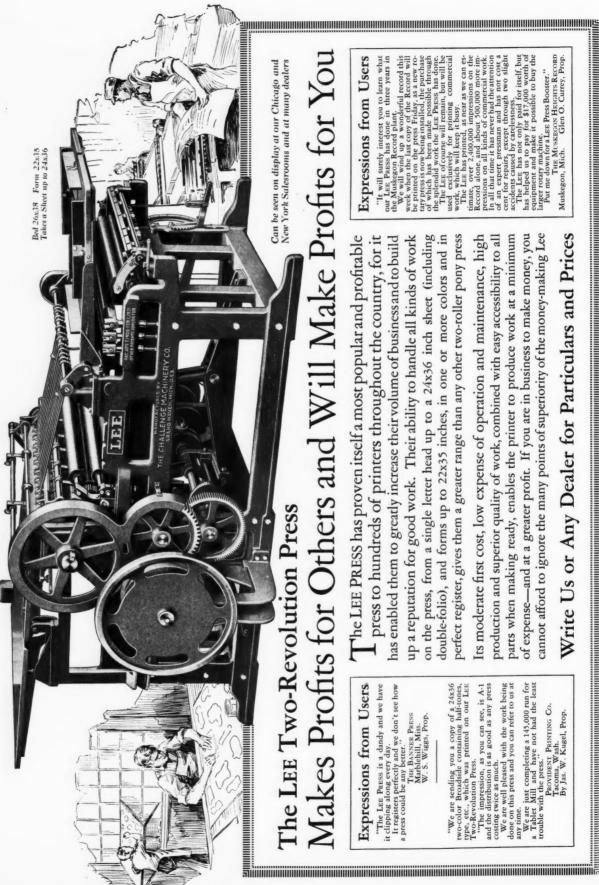


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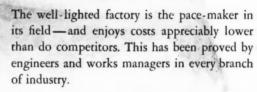
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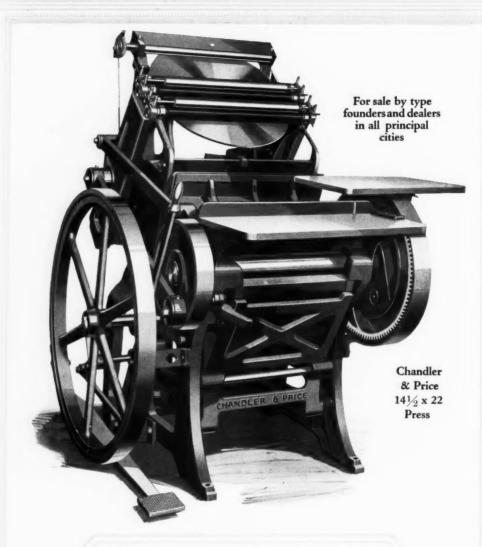
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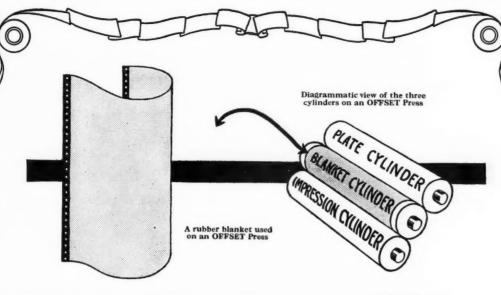
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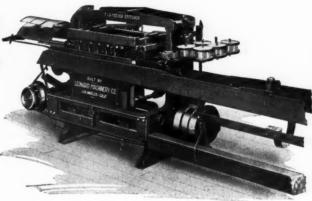


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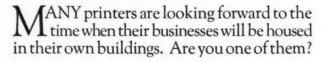
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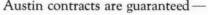
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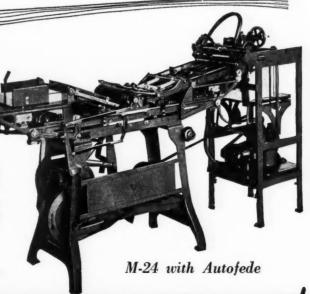
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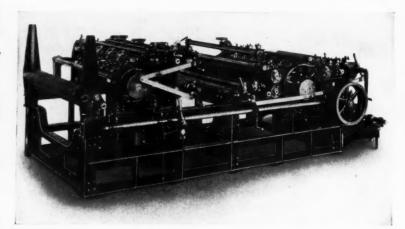
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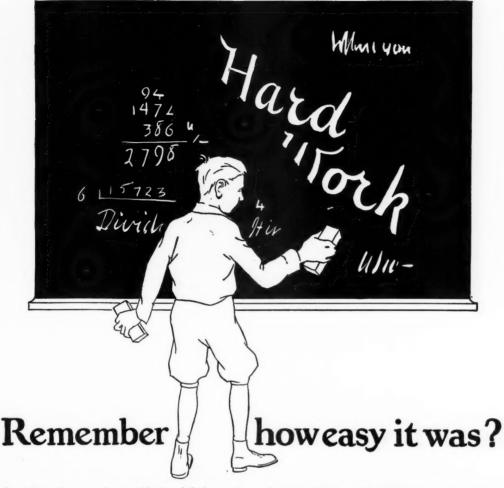
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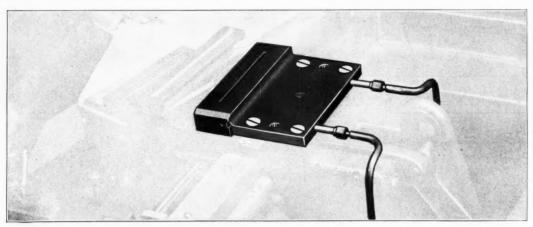
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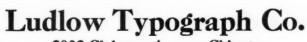
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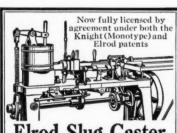
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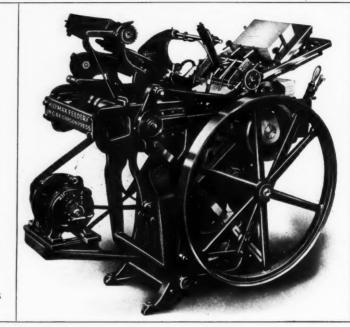
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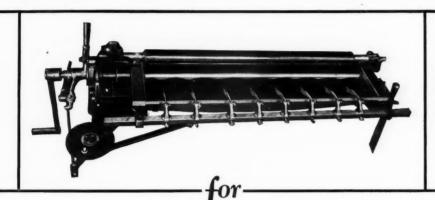
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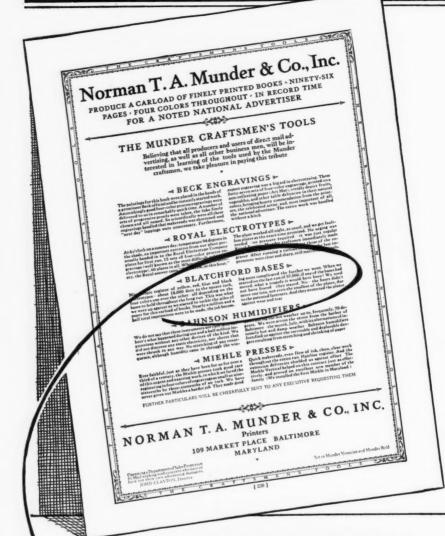
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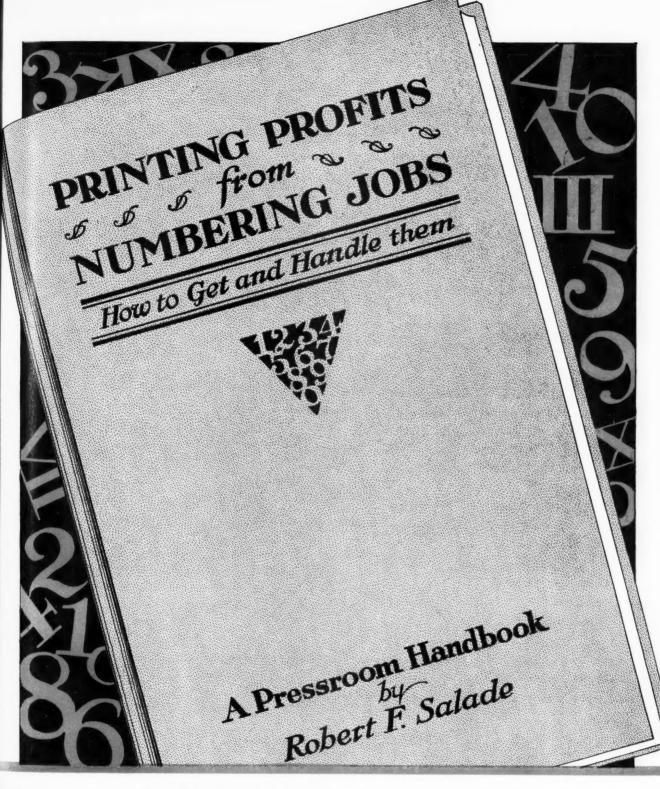
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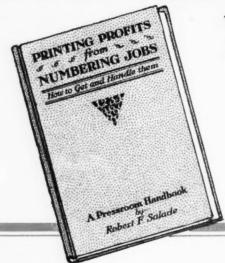
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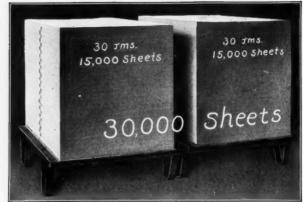
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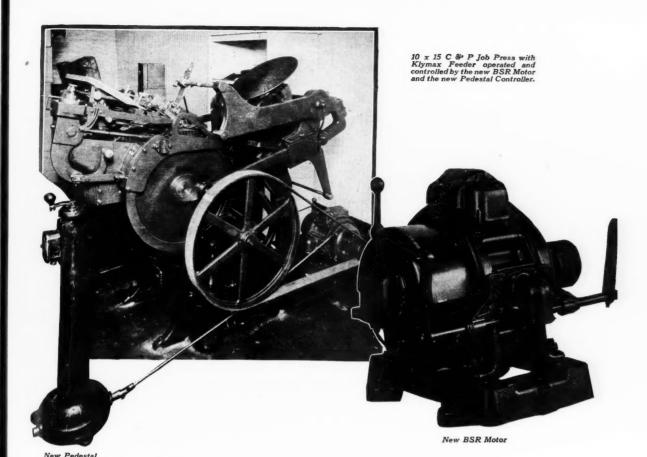
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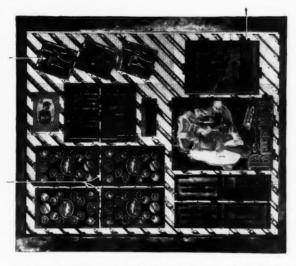


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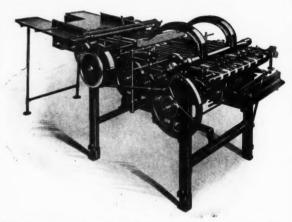
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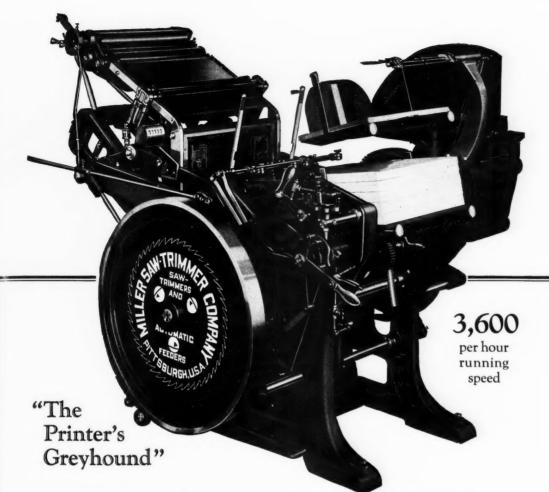
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The Mule Barometer

By ROBERT C. SHIMMIN



OHN URE, proprietor of Ure Print Shop, was lamenting his lot. "The printing business is getting to be the cheapest business in the world," he told his friend and customer, Tom Dryden. "Take my case, for example, fifty-five years old, gray-headed, and still plugging along to get

enough to eat. Been in business thirty years. If I'd done the same amount of work in any other business I would be independent today." It was the week before Christmas; the weather was cold and dreary.

"Well, what's the trouble with you; why haven't

you made any money?"

"Oh, it's just the cussedness of the business, I guess. Every job we get nowadays is cut to the bone. The overhead of the average print shop is a big item. Your shop is owned practically by the union. Errors can be rectified oftentimes in other businesses, but never in the printing business. A job that is once printed is printed forever."

"All that may be true," said Dryden, "but I'm going to tell you frankly that I don't believe any one of the reasons you give is really the correct answer. As I see it, the chief difficulty with the printing business today is the lack of real creative printers. There is not enough initiative shown in digging up new schemes. In other words, my friend, most of the printers of today are still 'ploughing with oxen.' They must wake up. Here, for example, is a little advertising scheme that may do some good. It was worked a long time ago, but will pull again."

Ure took the clipping. It was the picture of a mule and was entitled "The Mule Barometer." Underneath in black type was printed:

TAIL DRY......WEATHER FAIR
TAIL WET.....WEATHER DAMP AND RAINY
TAIL SWINGING.....WIND AND STORM
TAIL FROZEN.....INTENSE COLD

"Pretty good," laughed Ure. "I think I've seen something of the kind before."

"Now, why don't you take this," said Dryden, "and get a bunch of blotters printed? Have you a cut of a mule? Good. Get some binder twine and have the boy stick on some tails. Put the name of your firm and your telephone number at the bottom."

Two days later an enamel coated blotter was placed in the front window. Big heavy type captioned it, "The Mule Barometer." On the left was the picture of a stubborn, determined looking mule. A small piece of rough binder twine was fastened in the right place. The directions were "Hang on back porch."

Tony Spinozzi, he of the long black mustache and the rainbow tie, was making his way homeward. Tony allowed his dark eyes to rove in the direction of the store windows, always on the alert for some little thing to take home to his wife and children. As he was passing the Ure Print Shop he noticed the mule blotter. He stopped and slowly spelled it out.

"Ah, he tella you the weather, is that so," he murmured, "and it ees given with no charge. I will taka heem home."

When Tony entered the print shop he encountered the pressman, who was leaving for the night and hadn't much time to waste.

"Anda so the blotta will say the kind of weather, is that a so?" inquired Tony.

"Why, sure," with a wink at the compositor who had just come upstairs. "All you gotta do is to hang her up on the outside porch, and she'll do the rest."

"America, it ees wonderful," Tony told himself as he proceeded homeward.

The Italian lived on the Tide Flats, close to the bridge that spanned the small river. He occupied one of the small frame houses on the flats, small and poor to be sure, but better than the grimy tenements. His children generally ran to meet him.

"Ah, Rosa, Billee, Lucie, Jimmee, you no guess what I have—a donkey mule to tella the weather. Missus hang her up on da backa de porch now."

Carlotta took the blotter. "It ees no good," she said. "They fool you, Tony."

"I tella you that the donkey mule tella the weather. The man in the print store he tella me. You thinka you know more than heem, is that a so?"

The mule barometer was hung with ceremony before an expectant audience on the back porch. Many times during the evening it was eagerly consulted, but no change was recorded. On the following morning the condition of the card was unchanged; the tail was crisply dry.

"I no taka de coat, de umbrel," announced Tony. "It be a verra fine day, I t'ink."

"But it would be safer to taka your coat, Tony, the clouds are black —"

"Ah, you shutta da mouth; you know too much. The tail she ees dry I tella you."

The forecast of the mule was correct until just before Tony quit work in the afternoon, when a slight snow commenced. As he walked homeward, sans umbrella, sans overcoat, the snow increased in its fury, until as he left the streets and emerged on the Tide Flats it became a veritable blizzard. It seemed as if all the water supply in heaven had been made into snow. Cursing in Italian and pidgin English, Tony ran for shelter. When he reached the door of his home, his wife greeted him with peals of laughter. As Carlotta surveyed her lord and master standing in the doorway, wet snow dripping from him like Niagara Falls, his black mustache hanging down like a walrus's, she held her sides. A few minutes later the storm subsided, but the clouds hung over the Tide Flats. Late that night a stream of light from an open door cut the darkness. Something was hurled into the blackness. The breeze caught the card and carried it high to a resting place on the side of the bridge spanning the

"You maka da fool of Tony Spinozzi. Is data so? Peegs, peegs, American peegs."

A zephyr of garlic wafted into the night.

Away from the twinkling lights of the city a man slowly approached the bridge. He walked with head bent, his mouth twitching in that queer downward quirk of the despondent soul. His face was ruddy, his clothes of fine texture. Clearly it was not poverty that had brought Henry Best to the bridge that night. He leaned his elbow on the iron railing and watched the black turbid waters rushing by. The events of the past three years of his life flitted before his eyes. He saw his print shop in St. Louis just as it would look that night. Best had been a printer all his life; not a mere mechanic, but an artist, a creator of fine work. By nature a lover of the beautiful he had been wedded to his art - and had prospered. The face of a beautiful woman appeared on the moon-kissed waters and irradiated them with a brighter glow. Three years ago they married. Although Best was somewhat older than his bride, their mutual love for the better things of life had made their union a happy one.

A shadow came over the face of the waters, grim and sinister. Only a few short months before Roger Lovelace had come into their lives, and covertly, like the human cur that he was, weaned away the love of the one in whom Best's whole life was wrapped. A change came over her; a cold wall of indifference slowly rose between them, and then came the night —

Ah, that night. Best buried his face in his hands as the scene floated before him. Working at the case on an intricate piece of work which was promised for the morrow he reached home late. The house was in darkness, his wife gone, nothing for him but a little note which said she had gone.

That was over three months ago; no word had been received from her since. He had stood the loneliness for one solitary month; then he fled—somewhere, anywhere. From town to town he wandered, trying to forget, perhaps also with a faint hope he might meet her. At irregular intervals he notified his sister in St. Louis of his whereabouts.

And thus the story ended. No more pictures appeared in the fitful moonlit waters. Best walked toward a dim light on the side of the bridge. On the back of his wife's letter he penciled a short note of farewell and placed it in his coat pocket. He threw his coat over an iron railing. As he did so his eye was attracted by a light colored object on the ground. It was the picture of a Missouri mule. The tail was wet. Reading the text on the blotter Best smiled in spite of himself. Then he looked at the mule, grim and unflinching.

"I, too, am from Missouri," he said. "By heaven, my shoulders are not on the mat yet."

Putting on his coat he hurried from the bridge and disappeared into the darkness.

When John Ure walked into his shop the day before Christmas, though it was early in the morning, a stranger was there ahead of him. The old printer never in his life received so cordial a handclasp.

"It was the mule that saved the day. But for that blotter God knows where I would be by now. And when I reached my room, look what I found. It had been forwarded to me." With trembling hands he handed the astonished printer a telegram: "Forgive me, Henry. Am coming home to stay." "It's some Christmas present, isn't it?" he said.

Recently the print shop of Ure moved from the old location. Today it is more centrally located. The windows hold samples of creative work printed for some of the larger business houses of the city. Almost every evening the passerby will hear the rumble of the presses, the tinkling and clanking of the linotype. Business is good. Hanging almost directly over the office counter is a small framed picture of a Missouri mule. A piece of binder twine does duty as a tail. The legend runs:

TAIL DRY......WEATHER FAIR
TAIL WET.....WEATHER DAMP AND RAINY
TAIL SWINGING.....WIND AND STORM
TAIL FROZEN.....INTENSE COLD

But nowadays the tail is always dry.

A large gilded sign has been placed over the store:

URE-BEST PRINT SHOP
Printing With a Kick

The Printer's Own Advertising

By Roger Wood

The truths known by intuition are original premises from which all others are inferred.—Mill, in Logic.



N the field of advertising there are many laws at work; some entirely undiscovered as yet, others just beginning to be recognized and proved. Briefly there are eight laws which we should know: Repetition, contiguity, sequence, subconscious appeal, conscious appeal, multiple reaction, diminishing re-

turns, and averages. The application, operation and results of these laws are worthy of intensive study by every one who is directly or indirectly interested in the practice of advertising.

For our purpose—a closer understanding of the printer's own advertising—we need not concern ourselves with an exhaustive study of these laws; a knowledge that they exist and that they govern the purpose and results of printers' advertising effort is sufficient for the present. The purpose of this series is to give you sound knowledge which you may apply to your business, without continued and prolonged study of non-adaptable details.

THE LAW OF REPETITION .- Your printed matter must fit the personality and individuality of your business. Each piece of printers' advertising should have the same general physical makeup and style, so that it will help individualize the organization and be readily recognized by the recipient. The inherent worth of a printer's message is its memory value, because one advertisement rarely if ever makes a sale. Cumulative impressions, secured by continuous effort, make printers' advertising successful. By memory value I mean its recognition value. Interest can not be maintained in advertisements that are devoid of familiarity or association. Continued interest depends on familiarity. Every advertisement that holds our interest must have two elements - an element of the old and an element of the new. An advertisement is intended to awaken an anticipated experience in the mind of the reader. Therefore memory value, that element by which the reader can link some past experience with a present or anticipated experience, is essential.

THE LAW OF CONTIGUITY.—The law of contiguity in its relation to printers' advertising might be interpreted in two ways: First, it means the presenting of two related thoughts. Letterheads suggest envelopes; bills suggest statements. To advertise one alone is to lose the possible sale of the companion article. Second, it means persistency of contact and consistency of effort. A semimonthly mailing of advertising pieces will be more effective than a monthly one. It will bring quicker and surer results, because it keeps your message before the reader's mind in quicker succession. A salesman calling on you twice a month stands a far

better chance of getting your business than does the one who calls at your office only once a month.

THE LAW OF SEQUENCE.— Mental associations work more easily in one direction than in another. A child can recite the alphabet forward from A to Z quickly, but will be very slow in reciting it backward. In printers' advertising ideas should be presented in the order in which they will be most effective. The first idea presented to the reader should be relative to his need rather than to what you have to sell. Give your reader constructive ideas first, then follow with how these ideas can be adapted to his business. This is perhaps best accomplished by the narrative style, telling a story of how printing has been used resultfully by some merchant or manufacturer. An interesting presentation will almost always get an attentive and interested reading.

The Law of Subconscious Appeal.—In advertising there is just one person to consider — the buyer. He is more interested in his own problems than in yours. While the words of your message may, through their logical presentation, appeal greatly to the reason or conscious mind of your reader, confidence in you and your service or organization can be obtained only by reaching his subconscious mind. This can be accomplished through giving the correct physical appearance to your message — either simple vigor or elaborate expressiveness of appropriate excellence.

We do not always analyze our moods or reactions. If a piece of printing is pleasing and harmonious we react favorably; we like it without stopping to realize why we like it. A complicated arrangement of type matter, wrong selection of paper stock or colors or even an inappropriate word in the copy may interfere seriously with the desired effect. By all means give your finished advertising serious and careful consideration; see to it that the various elements - type, paper, art and ink - are harmonious and pleasant, easy to read and worth reading. Always consider the subconscious attitude of your reader in planning a campaign or series. Usually he is just as much impressed with the physical appearance of your message as he is with the message itself. It is his measure of you, his gage of your ability to serve him. Of all I have ever written or hope to write for the printing industry, I consider this one idea the most important — the printer's own advertising must be typographically excellent. It must be the very best work he is capable of producing.

THE LAW OF CONSCIOUS APPEAL.—Logical sales arguments are based on human desires and instincts—emotions and motives. It is possible to list the various motives that influence action and reaction in response to advertising appeals: appetite, affection, amusement, ambition, cleanliness, constructiveness, domesticity, health, hospitality, safety, play, profit, etc. These and

many more known appeals are catalogued and have been tested numerous times by various national advertisers in the relation of the pulling power of their advertisements for their products or services.

The conscious appeals or motives that should be found in printer advertising — not all in the same advertisement, one or two at the most being sufficient — are, in the order of their importance: use, profit, distinction, character, confidence, prestige, quality, cooperation, ability, style, service and price.

Printers' advertising, to be effective, must suggest ideas that are creative; ideas that give the reader information; ideas that logically demand printing for their expression; ideas that the reader can associate with his business. People naturally read themselves into a story or narrative. If you relate an interesting and profitable experience of how a manufacturer or merchant used printing to solve a marketing problem or create a new market, your reader will take the thought home to himself and try to adjust the related experience to his own problems. That is human nature, just as a boy or girl reading a book of fiction imagines himself or herself in the role of hero or heroine.

THE LAW OF MULTIPLE REACTION.—It is a well known fact that people will react to patriotic frenzy, mob violence, class sympathy, religious fervor or strike hysteria under a certain influence. This influence is leadership, and leadership is a positive rather than a negative force. Advertising is directed to lead the multitude. It must be positive to get results. Printers' advertising must be positive in both tone and thought. But be sure that what you are saying is a fact - don't guess. If you tell a story be positive that the logic rings true. There are two kinds of people, those who want facts without detail, and those who want detail, figures and explanations. You can not always appeal to both types in the same advertisement, but you should aim to appeal to one or the other - never try to reach both.

The Law of Diminishing Returns.— While the attention value of a piece of printer advertising may be strong, due to color harmony, artwork, paper stock, etc., the subject matter may be set in type too small for the length of line; or the length of the article may cause deferment of reading until it is entirely forgotten or the timeliness of the message is lost. The law of diminishing returns operates whereby the attention value increases more slowly proportionately to the amount of space used. A half-page space is not four times as valuable as a one-eighth page; it is only twice as valuable. If a quarter-page advertisement will bring in, say, fifty inquiries, a full page should not be expected to produce four times as many—it is more likely to pull only twice as many.

A series of booklets 6½ by 9½ will not have twice the pulling power of a 4¾ by 6¼ booklet series, even though the copy is the same, unless you increase the size of type in proportion to the size of the booklets. A large booklet set in eight or ten point type will require more of an effort to read. Even though the pulling power of the larger booklet would equal that

of the smaller one, in proportion the cost would be more — which, of course, means diminishing returns.

When a piece of advertising matter (calling for direct returns) is mailed returns will come in steadily and in increasing volume up to a certain point. From then on the daily or weekly returns will diminish, but not stop suddenly. Returns from some advertising might be received as follows: Sixty per cent in ten days, twenty per cent in thirty days, ten per cent in ninety days, eight per cent in six months and one and one-half per cent in one year. In other words, it is the cumulative value of your advertising spread over a period of several months or years that brings in constant returns. Stop your advertising and at once the law of diminishing returns begins to be felt. Printers' advertising should never be spasmodic — it should always be persistent and consistent.

THE LAW OF AVERAGES .- Perhaps the most important known law - in relation to printers' advertising — is the law of averages, a law as immutable as the law of gravity. The basic principle of insurance is founded on this law. Human nature is pretty much the same the world over, though it may be divided into types, classes and groups. A large mail-order house, with a mailing list of five million, gets out an annual catalogue that costs over \$1 to print and mail. If you were to request a copy of this catalogue it would be sent to you without question - the house does not know whether you are a prospective customer or not, but it is known that a given number of requests will mean a certain volume of business. When seeking to establish a new store, a national chain of stores stations a man at a specified point to count the number of people that pass during certain hours of the day. So many people passing the store will mean a certain volume of daily business, and this has been proved, not once, but hundreds of times.

National advertisers who use direct-mail advertising always test the pulling power of a campaign on a small number of prospects. If the returns from this list show a reasonable volume of business then they can increase the mailing list to a definite figure based on their capacity to fill orders. Mail-order houses and correspondence schools usually select a list of from 3,000 to 5,000 for a test list - the reason being that they can not with accuracy determine the operation of the law of averages on a smaller list. Nine years ago a mail-order house in Philadelphia started with a mailing list of 3,000 names, mailing a monthly catalogue and price list to these people. The mailing list was increased at the rate of twenty-five new names a day. I understand this system has proved so successful that now it sends out over 1,600,000 pieces of mail each and every month.

A printer's mailing list need not consist of 3,000 names at the start, if his list is carefully selected. Indeed for a start, 1,000 selected names will do. However, since there are always changes in mailing lists from month to month it is advisable to give particular attention to this important detail of your advertising. Add a definite number of names every month. If this is

made a daily task or even weekly it will not be difficult. Add two names each day to the list. That will make about fifty names a month or 600 a year.

If you will mail a house-organ or piece of printed sales literature to one thousand or more prospects regularly, a certain number are sure to be convinced of your ability as a printer. After a reasonable period a foundation of good will is established. Sales will be inevitable. The law of averages will bring you results that would be impossible through personal sales alone.

The laws of advertising can and will function for you, the same as they do for other lines of commercial and industrial activity, and you have the utensils and skill to produce the very highest grade of advertising.

Advertising is governed by known laws; it is not guesswork, it is not speculative, it is not wasted effort. Advertising is a necessity for every progressive business. Its fundamentals are sound and logical. It is the ultra sales medium of today. For the printer it is the educational means by which he can lift his industry from the evils of price competition to the assured and

solid position of recognized merit. Advertising is a necessary and important need of every printer today, regardless of his location, or the size of his plant, or the kind of work in which he specializes.

Make your advertising distinctive: make it show the character and individuality of your business. Have a definite policy. See to it that your advertising matter is sent out on a certain date each month, not three or five days later. Give your readers helpful information and ideas; keep in mind that the "you" element is always important in selling or advertising. Do your very best work on your own advertising, just as you would on that of your most exacting customer. Give your readers facts whenever possible; never let a negative tone creep into your advertising copy; be positive always. This is the surest and most logical way to build confidence and prestige. Once you start advertising keep at it; this is the only sure road to success. Watch your mailing list. It can be and is one of your most valuable assets. Have a definite program of expansion and "hew to the line."

The Stylemaker's Task

By JAMES WALTER



OWN to the last correction on the stone the work of the composing room can be said to consist of details. With an infinitude of details, indeed, the compositor is, perhaps, more concerned than most workers. Boldly enough he essays to render his author into readable typography ac-

cording to the hundred and one rules of his craft, to which he will have added the styles of his house and the whims of a customer. With all his experience, competence and care errors emerge in one direction while he takes every precaution to prevent their occurrence in another. He will often find the most serious of his failures to arise where least looked for and in a form the least imagined. From these happenings the man is not absolved by the advantage of machine composition. They belong not wholly to the region of time, method and tools; their origin lies chiefly with the human equation.

Just as the untrained eye may miss alike the beauties and defects of a work in art or architecture, and the man of untrained ear fail to appreciate the excellences or faults of a musical composition, so to the man in the street the printer's work may not be judged truly one way or other in the point of craftsmanship. Though not to others there may to the scholar as to the typographer be much virtue, for instance, in a capital letter. I may recall on that point an incident in the publication by a well known firm of a certain edition of the Scriptures in which I was concerned.

The press was literally waiting while the scrutineers of the final proofs finished their critical work. Almost at the last moment they found the well known passage in Philippians (iii., 19) to read—"whose God is their belly." Well, you will say, the words are there, all right. So they are; so they were passed by half a dozen pairs of unusually vigilant eyes; but there is just the small but fatal difference that the word "god" is spelled with a capital initial. That difference, in what was intended for an exact copy of an earlier edition of the Book, would have been fatal indeed—fatal enough to have condemned the whole issue—to have branded it probably with some cognomen such as is borne by the "Treacle" Bible and "Breeches" Bible.

After all, an author's play with the *minutiae* of print can become a considerable asset to him in the presentation of his work. I suppose George Bernard Shaw would think twice ere he would forego the use of the simple word "til" for "till." Much less probably would he begin the use of italics in a stressed word after committing himself to the German practice of spacing the letters of it in roman. No doubt he rigidly scans his proofs lest the printer should cheat him in these and other details, or lest there should be restored for him those "dozens of pronouns" he no longer thinks indispensable in his progress from "Augustan Irish Classical English to pidgin English," which he believes will be written "as vividly and intelligibly as an unschooled Negro speaks."

An author who does not thus read his proof may be called a rarity. But such is Robert Blatchford, master of the short sentence which is such a comfort to the printer. It may be because of the short sentence

that Blatchford feels no need of reading his proofs. At any rate, he declares, in his latest book, "English Prose and How to Write It," that he has not seen a proof for ten years; though after running through that little work one may doubt the validity of his claim to merit for the omission on this occasion. But may not an author read his proofs and yet be chagrined at the quality of the finished job? That has been the experience of Frank Harris with the first volume of his autobiography. Written in America, printed in Germany, and marketed in France, the work was at the last found by its author, after all his care, to contain, as he declares, some "frightful mistakes." To these mistakes he was bound to call attention and give correction in an addendum; but they do not indicate the extent of his betrayal by the German printer where all-important details of spelling and punctuation are concerned. The blemish is considerable, and can be understood only by presuming, as Harris does, the printer's ignorance of English.

Until suddenly brought up by some glaring misprint the general reader, whether of books or newspapers, can have small conception of the endless detail involved in providing him with the finished product that conveys to him instruction and pleasure. Least of all does he reck of the many debatable points in style that must be settled in the execution of the printer's task. The English language is nothing if not versatile in its usages, as the printer well knows. It is not subject to an authority like that of the French Academy and does not boast its Littré; nor at this day can one easily imagine such an authority coming into existence with a power to dominate the language that would be universally respected. The fact is that not only are there differences between states and localities using the same language, but commonly one printing office differs from a neighbor in many details of its practice. Thus for the printer emerges the "style of the house" to which he must work in conformity; for it constitutes a code comprising the various points in composition which may have evolved as a tradition.

To compile or reconstruct to date a code of styles for the staff is a task at once delicate and onerous. One has to consider opinions and maybe prejudices within the office, no less than to think of the eye and taste of the general reader outside. Against both have to be set the developments, actual and pending, of language characteristics. Some forms are sufficiently established and present little difficulty. To an extent this is the case with proper names that have become common nouns. Nowadays very few persons can dispute the validity of the lower-case initial in silhouette, brougham and hansom, ampere and ohm, or in the verbs, lynch, boycott and burke. Is it quite so certain that one should print billingsgate, nimrod, benedict, samaritan, and others apparently still in process of transition? Among ordinary words we shall have to choose between gaol and jail, kinema and cinema, forgo and forego, and to say whether traveler and instalment shall have one "1" or two. Still again shall we curtail programme by cutting " me " out of it, and having the

phonetic "thru" against the old-fashioned spelling? In the place-name category it must be either Salonica or Salonika, Soudan or Sudan, and one or other of Bucarest, Bucharest, Bukarest or Bukharest. Happily Betjuanaland has long ceased to compete with Bechuanaland, though, even under the present regime of the United States, Scotch is hardly to be superseded by Scots or the more aristocratic looking Scottish. If only for their historical interest we shall also have to give one or other of Czar and Tsar, Czarina and Tsaritza. The deciding upon such orthographic variants — which necessarily take no account of an author's own preferences — gives a glimpse into the stylemaker's task.

Much debatable matter arises when we touch upon the division of words - purely a point in the compositor's technique. I seem to remember that in the handsetting days stricter attention was given to the practice than in these times of swift machine composition. Directed to make the division probable the case hand was careful not to conclude that problem was to be similarly divided. The difference is now largely disregarded. Yet in good class English publications that are careful - the Century Dictionary to the contrary notwithstanding - to give the division pro-blem, I have also seen divisions such as poig-nant and phlegmatic - divisions which on their face leave a lot to be desired. A style book I have in mind contains a prohibition against such monosyllables or quasimonosyllables as trimmed, mourned and simple being divided, the same rule applying to figure groups. One can not say the rush operator has scrupulously observed the rule, and in the narrow measure of display work the forbidden thing has had to be allowed time and again. A rude shock to the validity of the rule has been given from other quarters where quite evidently an open practice is laid down for the compositor. One may refer only to a New York weekly which circulates westward to the Pacific Coast and which gives in almost wholesale manner divisions such as sam-ple, trou-ble, peo-ple, and in longer words turns over the "ble," with no pretense of spacing exigency to account for the deed. As to figure groups both that journal and others are seen to make a turn over such as \$45,000,-000.

All this only touches a subject much of which, as has been indicated, is controversial. Small details that matter much more to the public concern the printer's rendering of the names of persons, places and things, of quotations, dates and figures. Here specially comes in the proofreader, on whose shoulders is laid the burden of some smattering of things linguistic from Latin to Esperanto, things scientific and technical, things historical, things scriptural, things literary, things geographical. Not even are experts in these departments to be taken always as immaculate in points of detail when they write, and well it is for the cautious proofreader who is adequately equipped with dictionaries, directories, cyclopedias, gazetteers, concordances (for the Bible and Shakespeare), year books, grammars, perhaps a casual text book, railroad time schedules and maps, etc., and uses them freely. Thus only may accidents and errors be reduced to a minimum.

Advertisements That Women Read and Heed

By UTHAI VINCENT WILCOX

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HE great indoor sport in the advertising world is answering the question as to what women think of the advertisements. The beauty of the game lies in the fact that there is always a different answer, and each one is right—absolutely. The main reason for this diversity in the answers is that too often

the woman has some sort of interest in the man who is trying to find out what she thinks about advertisements. It is hardly test conditions to ask the opinion of your wife if *you* are in the advertising business.

A group of reporters feeling this way about this ancient problem, "What are the women thinking about now," decided it would be worth while, though probably dangerous, if they did a bit of sleuthing, emulating the inquiring reporter in his zeal for opinions. Taking the street cars as the point of contact, four reporters in four cities, Washington, Chicago, Denver and San Francisco, screwed up their courage one morning and one afternoon as they went to town and back with the crowds, and succeeded in getting into conversation with seventy-five women who apparently were prosperous—in other words, the average woman.

The Chicago brave rode several blocks before he asked the apparently shy young lady with whom he was sitting what she thought of the advertisement of Manhattan clothes displayed on a page of a popular magazine she held. The woman was not so shy after all. She had ideas of her own. She was thinking of buying a dress, and the style of the dress in the advertisement interested her.

"Looking at the dress only for the style?" the insistent reporter asked. "But suppose the style didn't happen to please you, would the name of the company that sells the dress mean anything to you?"

"Oh, yes, a little, but I never thought of it in just that way. I look for the style of the dress and wonder whether it suits me. I believe most of my friends do the same thing."

Whether they do or not is a question, but this young lady represented a considerable class.

Another reporter told of the housewife who had no use for any sort of plumbing fixtures other than a certain brand, because that company made its sinks for any individual height. She remembered with indignation the low sink in a house she had rented. She and her husband were building a new home and were going in for the things that suited her.

Several others noted conveniences for the home. Others suggested household articles "they would like to see on the market," an ironing board that could be raised and lowered more satisfactorily, or one made of

metal construction. One woman in the East said: "I can't stand some of the advertisements that are always shouting about 'Quality!' and forgetting to mention the little conveniences and the manner of construction or the method of cleaning that are so very important."

A San Francisco miss admitted she liked a certain kind of soap "because I just love Egypt." Asked if the soap was satisfactory, she admitted that the things which held her were its fragrance—and the pictures in the advertisements.

A Denver business woman was most emphatic in her dislike of advertisements that featured only the society girl, the girl who had money, the home girl. She thought such advertisements were misleading in not recognizing the working girl, who had to cut her own way through the world. She had a thesis on how advertisements should contribute something to the public knowledge. When asked for an illustration she told of having had sausage for her last meal because she had seen an illustrated advertisement showing a new way to serve it. She liked the idea and profited thereby; it contributed something to the world's happiness.

The dress advertisements were the most criticized and the most frequently referred to. Sometimes the women mentioned advertisements that appeared in the daily papers, sometimes those in the magazines. Apparently there was always the subconscious question, "How will I look in that?"

The more the reporters inquired the more they were convinced, whether in Denver, Chicago, Washington or San Francisco, that the women didn't judge the advertisements on any great glaring mistake, but only from the critical, personal angle. If there was no personal appeal, it was all lost, for so they indicated. Several reporters raised the question of the reputation of the company advertising. One woman in Washington was frank to admit that the personal appeal came first, after which the name was noted. If the appeal was favorable even a new name was given consideration. The old and reliable firm had an initial handicap, if its appeal was cold or without personal interest.

There was no doubt as to the opinion of these women when it came to advertisements having to do with toilet preparations. A number criticized advertisements that merely featured pretty women, but the first and uppermost thought was still personal, whether the article would injure or "do what was promised."

When pressed for constructive advice, one Washington woman said a statement that a preparation had proved safe and helpful for a long period of years would be most effective. Another wanted some testimonial, with name and address. A Chicago woman opined that "it does me no special good to look at pretty women who have regular features and bright colored lips. These may please the men who print the magazine, but

I like to know a little more about the lipsticks and the powders and the creams. The chemical composition interests me. I have never yet seen an advertisement that tells the principal ingredient of the preparations."

These women were severe critics. They noted details. One pointed out the picture of the housewife doing her cleaning dressed in her Sunday best. "I wonder what my neighbors would think if I tried to work dressed like the women in the ads?" Some were asked whether the pictures showing women washing and cleaning and cooking all dressed perfectly didn't suggest ease. The answers were emphatic. "Only men think that way. There is no housework, even with the aid of all the inventions, that removes the work side—and who works dressed up, except actors?"

After a study of all the comments and the remarks of the women who talked to the reporters, the question still remains, "What do they think about this anyway?" However, there are certainly some interesting angles to the points brought out by the seventy-five women interviewed in the four cities of America. These opinions might be truthfully stated as follows:

First, that the average woman — who rides the street cars — is very personal in her viewpoint. She sees everything in its relation to herself, her happiness, her looks, her comfort. In spite of all the modernity there seems to be no special trend to an abstract view.

Second, the "reason why" and "how to do" copy with a slant that included her and an understanding of her problems, interests and desires would be highly acclaimed, so it seemed.

Third, that most women rarely, if ever, analyze their own viewpoints in these matters unless they are questioned. Their dislikes and likes are instinctive and more or less final. Statistically, we find:

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Pictures appealed first to 39. Heading in type, first to 15. General impression 9.

SECOND IMPRESSIONS

The how-to-use or how-to-make-it-go for her benefit, came second to 30.

General effect as to style came second to 24. Typography, easy to read, came second to 6. Didn't know 3.

If anything at all is proved by such an orgy of curiosity as to what the women are thinking about as concerns advertisements, it is that a stronger personal slant, plus the individual appeal, is of great importance. Women are intense individualists, and although there are political parties of women, they still look at things through eyes that judge as to "how this will affect me."

However, can you please the women? And just how are you going to twist this around to prove some other theory? It wouldn't be hard to do it, would it?

The Papermaker's Challenge to the Printer

By EMERSON G. WULLING



"DARE" is always accepted with danger. Too many dares are taken up out of a sense of braggadocio like in the old drinking bouts where tankard vied with tankard. But there remain a host of dares that challenge the highest virtues of humankind. The mosquito swamps of Panama were a

dare; the mysteries of nature always dare exploration; the falling apple challenged Newton; the air challenged the Wrights and Curtis; the water challenged the Vikings; the stars challenged Galileo. Those dares were accepted and mankind benefited thereby. Every problem is a dare to a man's ability. Printing rose out of the challenge of the Renaissance. Gutenberg and his cohorts responded with a noble art.

Right now the greatest dare confronting any printer is not a need for more printing, or better presses, or newer types, or faster printing. The greatest dare comes from the papermaker: a sheet of blank paper.

Mr. Printer, the next time you sit at your desk with a new sheet of paper before you, observe its challenge. Clear and clean, with virginity expressed in all its newness and brilliancy, it offers you a dare which can not be denied if you are to be a printer "of parts." That sheet in all its expectancy asks you, "Well, what will you make of me? Am I to be your victim, or will you send me on my way proud and useful? I want to work for you faithfully. Will you let me, or will you smash my face with Main street drivel set in Franklin Gothic Condensed, Florentine Bold Extra-Condensed or Roycroft Open?"

The exigencies — say you — of making a living in a highly competitive field require me to please my customers. Mr. Printer, don't insult your customers. They may want Cheltenham, but that isn't saying they don't want Caslon more — if you let them know the advantages. The reason printing is so highly competitive is that too many printers cluster around the false god of "Pleased Customers."

Who are the successful printers today? Those who lead their customers into the path of good taste and refuse to follow them in the way of ignorance. The customers are pleased as a result.

I insist that the real concern of a printer should not be "How can I please my customer?" It should be "How can I fulfil the expectancy of this sheet of paper?" By that I mean the requirements of fitness and beauty come before the arbitrary requirements of oftentimes stubborn customers, even though they do supply the checks. A printer is a leader among business men; not a monkey.

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The Miser and His Gold

A miser once buried all his money in the earth, at the foot of a tree, and went every day to feast upon the sight of his treasure. A thievish fellow, who had watched him. a this occupation, came one night and carried off the gold. The next day the miser, finding his treasure gone, tore his clothes and filled the air with his lamentations. A neighbor hearing his outcry and learning the cause said, "Pray do not grieve so; but go and get a stone, place it in the hole, and fancy it is your gold. It will be of quite as much service as your money was."

For the plates of this masterpiece we are indebted to Gatchel & Manning, Incorporated, Philadelphia, whose coursesy in granting us their use is greatly appreciated.



By S. H. HORGAN

Queries regarding process engraving, and suggestions and experiences of engravers and printers, are solicited for this department.

Replies can not be made by mail.

Chicago Tribune's Color Achievement

The notice last month, page 228, of the successful accomplishment by the Chicago *Tribune* in printing rotagravure in four colors has brought inquiries as to how this is done.

Answer.—Those acquainted with the rotagravure process know that it is a question of register, first in the negatives, then in transferring the expanding and contracting carbon tissue to the four cylinders, and finally in providing for the shrinkage of the paper while drying the ink between printings. For getting the four color-record negatives of the portraits, the Polychromide method of photography is used as explained in this magazine, December, 1913, page 392. The positive films made from these four color-record negatives are registered to needle points in an ingenious frame of their own invention. The printed carbon tissue is also brought to needlepoint register by using steam to expand it, and heat to shrink it as desired, before transferring to points on the copper cylinders. Then on the press the exact shrinkage of the print paper was measured to a millimeter. The etching of the yellow image on the copper cylinder was expanded so that the shrinkage of the paper by heat in drying the ink would bring the yellow print to fit exactly the black image which followed. And so on through the printing of the red and blue the most delicate calculations are previously made. This in brief are the principles used; the details would require a book to The Chicago Tribune has spent a vast sum in experiments with the rotagravure process itself, and with the inks and presses, and deserves great praise for its achievement.

Chromium-Surfaced Printing Plates

Another advance has been made in the wearing properties of relief printing plates. Our first relief plates were of wood engraved on the plank side; an improvement came in the use of boxwood engraved across the grain. When an edition was so large that a single wood cut would be worn out, duplicate wood cuts had to be made. Then stereotyping was invented; a plaster mold was made of the form with the wood cuts and a cast was made in stereotype metal, which became the printing plate. A half century later came electrotyping. At first the mold was made in wax or similar plastic substance and on this a copper shell was deposited, which when backed up with type metal made the printing plate. Of late years soft lead sheets have taken the place of wax in molding halftones. A deposit of nickel on the copper electrotype increased the wearing qualities of the electrotype, and now comes a further improvement. The United States Bureau of Standards has worked out for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing a way of depositing a film of chromium only two ten-thousandths of an inch thick on intaglio printing plates so that they withstand printing even longer than case-hardened steel. film of chromium can be deposited on the printing surface of halftone dots; so that photoengraving has found another aid to its increasing usefulness in big-edition printing.

Chandler Photomechanical Museum

Dr. Charles F. Chandler, the famous industrial chemist, who died recently at the age of eighty-eight, many years ago foresaw that photography applied to the making of illustrations and printing plates was destined to become of great importance in all industries. He began collecting examples of all the early photomechanical methods he could obtain in Europe and the United States. These were stored and partly exhibited in the Chandler Chemical Museum at Columbia University. The present writer, who over thirty years ago assisted Dr. Chandler in titling some of the prints, is at present engaged in rearranging the collection and making the exhibits of the greatest educational value to students of these subjects. The collection is rich in specimens of the earliest processes, but little has been added to it during the past twenty years. Any reader having prints correctly dated and connecting photography with the printing press who wishes to have them installed in a permanent fireproof museum with credit to himself should communicate with Dr. Ellwood Hendrick, curator of the Chandler Museum, Columbia University, New York city.

Photoengravers Should Speak a Common Language

The London Federation of Master Process Engravers issues a "Guide to Illustration and Pictorial Publicity," price one shilling. In it the federation strives to educate the public in the terms used in photoengraving. Here are some of the definitions:

Anchor.—To fasten the engraved plate to the mount by means of screws soldered to the back of the plate.

Background.—That portion of a picture behind the principal object which is not essential to the illustration.

Combination Plate.— A method of making an illustration partly in line and partly in halftone.

Isochromatic.—A photograph made on a dry plate that is sensitive to green, but not to red.

It is unfortunate that these terms could not be standardized for all English-speaking peoples. In the United States metal plates are anchored to wooden bases without the use of screws; backgrounds are not termed unessential portions of a picture; combination plate is not a method, and isochromatic dry plates are not insensitive to red.

To Change the Color of Blue-Prints

All photoengravers are called upon to make blue-prints (ferro-prussiate prints). The British Journal of Photography tells how these can be made a deeper blue, or toned another color. For a darker blue, dip the prints in one part of muriatic or nitric acid to twenty of water; or in a dilute solution of iron sulphate, about thirteen grains to ten ounces of water. These are chemicals right at hand. To change the blue-print to black, bleach in a one-half per cent solution of silver nitrate; wash well and redevelop with ferrous-oxalate developer as used for dry plates.

F. Thevoz's Views on Rotagravure

After a successful business visit to the United States, F. Thevoz, of "Sadag," Geneva, Switzerland, expresses his gratitude to all those whose establishments he visited here and who were so cordial in giving him the opportunity to see the latest methods they employ. The announcement of his arrival, on page 57 of The Inland Printer for October, together with the artistic insert on the opposite page showing rotagravure in three colors made by his company, was all the introduction he required.

In telling some of the impressions he carried away with him, Mr. Thevoz said: "The progress of rotagravure in this country is different from that in Europe owing to circumstances. The extent of this country, distances between large urban centers, the great circulation of Sunday newspapers, brought about the printing of rotagravure on mammoth presses in large editions, so that the development of rotagravure in America was from the top.

"This is what makes your accomplishment so remarkable. If rotagravure had begun in a small way on sheet-fed presses, and with the experience gained had gradually grown to large editions on rotary presses, it would have taken the course of all other photomechanical printing methods. Here, however, rotagravure attempted the large editions on giant presses almost at once and your success astonishes Europeans. Newspaper supplements in monotone have almost reached perfection.

"The Chicago accomplishment of printing rotagravure in three and four colors in tremendous editions is still more remarkable. It represents almost superhuman effort in overcoming difficulties, and it is going to lead to great changes in the printing art, and that in the near future. In America there is plenty of rotagravure work to be printed in color on sheetfed presses, as we are now doing so successfully in Europe. With us, artistic quality is of greater importance than quantity and it will prove the same here. The printing of rotagravure on small presses will bring about knowledge of how to register the colors perfectly, improvements in the brilliancy of the inks and later the perfecting of rotary web presses, until rotagravure in colors will be in general use and thus satisfy the public demand for the most beautiful color printing possible."

Artist's Improved Shading Medium

It will please A. H. McQuilkin's many friends to know that he is in excellent health and is associated with Albert R. Bourgess, 144 West Thirty-second street, New York, in introducing the improved Hutchison artist's shading medium, a simple method by which any artist can do his own Ben Day work. Very thin sheets of flat celluloid are supplied, on which are printed tints of different patterns. A selected pattern is secured over an outline drawing and the pattern not wanted on the drawing is simply rubbed away from the celluloid. The tint is then pasted to the drawing with a thin transparent rubber cement and the whole is photographed. White tints are used over black areas. When the drawing is to be printed in one color and the tint in another, then the tint and drawing are photographed side by side and so etched, when they will register perfectly. There are endless possibilities in these tints for ingenious artists. There is no license or restrictions; simply buy the films in their assorted patterns and use as desired.

Halftone Printing, Relief Plate or Offset?

The difference between relief plate and planographic printing of halftone has been well described by William R. Teller as follows: "With a letterpress method you get beautiful results in four colors. It has not yet been demonstrated that equally good results can be reproduced by the offset process in the same number of colors. In offset printing the wearing of the plate is just opposite to the wearing of a relief plate, because in the case of a lithographic transfer the fine screen

will wear off first, whereas on a relief plate the term wear, as applied to a fine tint or sky, would be an evidence that the screen has gone heavy. In other words, each little dot is growing with age, whereas on the lithographing form each little dot is continually getting smaller. With very careful makeready on a letterpress, this wearing can be greatly overcome."

Collodion for Linework

Our English experimenter, W. T. Wilkinson, has been trying various haloids in collodion and has finally settled on the following formula as giving perfect opacity in a negative as well as entirely transparent lines: First a plain collodion is made with an ounce of dry pyroxylin in 10 ounces of alcohol and 20 ounces of ether. The remaining 10 ounces of alcohol is withheld to dissolve the haloids for iodizing the collodion. In this 10 ounces of alcohol is dissolved 40 grains of ammonium iodid; 30 grains of cadmium chlorid and 120 grains of lithium iodid. A week is allowed for ripening the collodion after mixing the plain collodion and the iodizer.

For use mix three parts of plain collodion with one of the iodizer. Give the collodion an amber color by adding a few drops of a ten per cent solution of iodin in alcohol. A 35 to 40 grain silver bath is used with this collodion.

NOTES ON OFFSET PRINTING

By S. H. HORGAN

Albumen Sensitizer for Metal Plates

Photo-Offset Printer: Albumen is preferred to fish glue in making the sensitizer for grained-zinc plates, due largely to its greater freedom from "scum." In 10 ounces of water stir in well 1 ounce of albumen from a fresh egg, and 1 dram of fish glue; add 30 grains of ammonium bichromate and 5 drops of liquid ammonia. Filter well before using and see if this is not the best formula you have found. The addition of the fish glue helps the development, even without cotton.

Photolithography and Photoplanography

While studying the exhibits of photolithography shown in the Chandler Museum at Columbia University, New York, one can not but marvel at the sharpness and brilliancy of the results produced by John W. Osborne's photolithographic process which he invented in Australia in 1859. Exhibits of his work from 1860 to the late seventies are shown. Of course these exhibits are printed from a smooth stone and are genuine photolithographs, the transfers being made by photography. Today we are using another branch of planography, photoprinting on grained metal plates. If our results are not so crisp and sharp as when printed from stone, is it not due to the grain on the metal not being so fine as that of the stone?

Negative Collodion for Offset Workers

The quality required in negative collodion for reproducing line subjects is that it should give the greatest intensity with the clearest lines and leave as little by-product in the silver bath as possible. The writer did considerable research work in this matter years ago and decided that ammonium iodid was the best of the halid salts to use. W. T. Wilkinson claims that lithium iodid is superior to the ammonium iodid, and his suggestion is worth trying. The collodion formula he recommends is as follows: Soak 1 ounce of the best pyroxylin in 20 ounces of ether and 10 ounces of alcohol. Add to this, after filtering, 10 ounces of alcohol containing 120 grains of lithium iodid, 40 grains of ammonium iodid and 30 grains of cadmium chlorid. Set this collodion aside for a week to ripen. A day or so before use, redden it slightly with a 10 per cent solution of iodin in alcohol. Without the addition of the iodin he says this collodion should keep in good condition for a year.

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You, Your Bank and the Law

By M. L. HAYWARD



AM enclosing herewith my check in full payment of my account, which I trust you will find in proper order," the customer wrote. The manager of the Ajax Printing Company received the check after banking hours on a certain Monday and gave his bookkeeper instructions to deposit it as soon as the bank opened in the

morning. The bookkeeper deposited the check and the bank sent the check to the clearing house. It was presented to the bank on which it was drawn the following Wednesday and was unpaid, as the drawee bank had suspended business on Wednesday morning.

The manager of the Ajax Printing Company demanded payment from the customer.

"I paid my account by check," the customer protested.

"And the check was dishonored," the manager pointed out.

"If you'd presented the check within a reasonable time, as required by law, it would have been presented on Tuesday and paid, as I had ample funds to meet it when the bank suspended business," the customer contended.

The manager sued, and the Idaho Supreme Court in the recent case of *Brisline versus Benting*, 228 Pacific Reporter, 309, ruled in favor of the printing company. "When a check has been received after banking hours, deposited by the payee with his own bank on the next day, and presented by that bank to the drawee bank or the clearing house on the following day, the presentment is within a reasonable time, as required by law," said the court. There are New York and Pennsylvania decisions to the same effect, while the Nebraska courts have apparently ruled the other way.

CHECK WAS GOOD WHEN WIRE WAS SENT

- "My \$100 account has been past due for several months," the customer admitted.
 - "It certainly has been," the printer agreed.
 - "Take a check on the Popular Bank of Pershing?"
- "Pershing's a long way off," the printer demurred, "but drop in this afternoon, and I'll let you know."

The customer departed, and the printer lost no time in sending the following telegram to the Popular Bank of Pershing: "Have been offered check of R. B. Holman on your bank for \$100. Is it good?"

That afternoon a telegraph messenger boy came in, flipped a yellow envelope across the desk and departed.

"R. B. Holman check for \$100 is good," the telegram read, and it was signed by the cashier of the Popular Bank.

Ten minutes later the customer strolled in, the printer accepted his check, deposited it in his local bank, the check went forward for collection and came back from the Popular Bank marked "No funds."

"You wired me Holman's check was good. I will look to you for payment," the printer wired.

"Our first telegram did not promise payment Holman check, and we recognize no liability," the Popular Bank replied.

"Now, there are the facts and correspondence, and what I want to know is whether I have any case against the Popular Bank," the printer told his lawyer.

"You have not, I am sorry to say," the lawyer assured him.

"But I've heard of instances where a bank had to stand behind a telegram like this," the printer demurred.

"There are lots of cases in the books where the bank was held liable," the lawyer explained, "but in those cases the

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bank's telegram contained an express or implied promise to pay the check. In your case, however, all the bank said was that the check was 'good,' from which you can not extract anything that looks like a promise to pay the check when presented. You are in practically the same position as if the bank had wired, 'The check is good right now, but we will not guarantee that it will be good for ten minutes.'"

"Looks as if I were the victim," the printer admitted.

"Of course, you still have a right of action against your customer who gave you your check," the lawyer reminded him.

"And he went into bankruptcy yesterday," the printer said, with an "I've been stung" expression.

CASHIER ACTED WITHOUT AUTHORITY

"I'd certainly appreciate a check for the \$75 you owe me," a North Carolina printer told the cashier of the local bank.

"I don't want the other bank officials to see whom I'm giving checks to," the cashier demurred, "but you give a \$75 check on your account to some of your creditors."

"I haven't more than \$2 to my credit right now, and issuing a check and having it turned down wouldn't make things any better," the printer suggested.

"You issue the check, I'll credit the \$75 to your account, and that will be equivalent to paying my bill," the cashier agreed. The printer drew a \$75 check, as suggested, in favor of the Midland Supply Company. The check came back in due course, the cashier failed to make the promised deposit, charged up the check as an overdraft, and the bank president politely but firmly requested the printer to make good the deficiency.

The printer explained the arrangement between himself and the cashier.

"He was your cashier, you're bound by his promise, and have no right to collect the overdraft from me," the printer contended.

The North Carolina Supreme Court, however, in the case of *Bank of Proctorville versus West*, 114 S. E. 174, ruled in favor of the bank.

"The printer knew, as a matter of course, that the transaction in effect was that the cashier without authority from the bank was paying him \$75 without any note or security given by the printer to the bank, and without the payment of interest. He knew that the cashier had no authority to make such a transaction, and the failure of the cashier to keep his promise was the printer's loss and not the bank's," said the court.

CASHIER IS BANK OFFICIAL AT ALL HOURS

"We'd like to have a check for the last shipment we sent you," the salesman for the Midland Supply Company suggested. "It's at the freight shed now."

"Haven't received any notice of it yet," the manager of the Popular Printing Company demurred.

"Well, it's there sure, for I inquired on my way up," the salesman declared. The manager accepted this assurance, delivered the check, and that evening he called at the freight office on his way home.

"No such shipment here," the freight agent told him.

The manager promptly telephoned the bank and asked for the cashier.

"Went home hours ago," the watchman told him. "Better try his house." The manager finally located the cashier at a local theater and explained the situation.

" Now, I want you to stop payment of that check without fail," the manager told him.

"Sure — I'll make a memo. on my program right now," the cashier agreed.

The bank opened at 10 A. M. the next day. At 10:15 the check was presented and paid; at 10:30 the cashier strolled in, found what had happened, and telephoned the manager of the Popular Printing Company.

"Well, it's up to the bank to stand the loss, after I'd notified you to stop payment," the manager argued.

"Oh, no, a mere telephone request that reached me out of banking hours at a local theater isn't binding on our bank, as a matter of law," the cashier retorted.

Having the courage of his convictions, the manager sued the bank, and the Texas court ruled in his favor in the case of Hewitt versus First National Bank, 252 S. W. 161.

"In the instant case the cashier was not required to transact any business away from the bank, but, acting upon the information which had been received, to stop the payment of the check at the bank. Though there were some things he could not do, as cashier, except at the bank and within banking hours, he was as much the cashier at home on Sunday as he was when he was in the bank transacting its business on any other day of the week," said the court.

THE BANK WAS RESPONSIBLE

"Your account in favor of the Popular Printing Company for \$75 has been left with me for collection. Unless I receive payment within five days, the claim will be placed in suit," the attorney wrote.

"Am enclosing herewith my check for \$75 on the Sand Bank, in favor of the Popular Printing Company, in full payment of account," the customer wrote, and the check was filled out in his own handwriting, in black ink.

The attorney promptly dipped his pen in the purple ink bottle, wrote "John Jones, attorney for" above the name of the Popular Printing Company, endorsed it "for deposit account John Jones, Attorney," and deposited it in the River Bank. The River Bank collected the amount from the Sand Bank, the attorney checked out the proceeds, failed to account to the printing company, and departed for parts unknown.

"The alteration of the check in a different hand and a different colored ink was a material alteration that should have put you on inquiry, and you're bound to make good the loss," the manager of the printing company told the cashier of the River Bank, and the Supreme Court of North Carolina in a recent case, reported in 123 S. W. Reporter, 830, ruled that the bank was bound to make good the loss. The same rule has been approved by the courts of other states.

"If a negotiable instrument, having a forged endorsement, comes into the hands of a bank, and is collected by it, the proceeds are held for the rightful owner of the paper, and may be recovered by him, although the bank gave value for the paper, or has paid over the proceeds to the party depositing the instrument for collection," said the South Carolina courts in the case referred to, quoting from a text book on banking law.

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT MAY BE VALUELESS

"I got your letter the other day," the customer admitted.

"It's the sixth one I've written you; your account's up to nearly \$100 and must be paid," the printer reminded him.

"Take a deposit certificate on the X Bank?" the customer queried.

"Yes, and mighty glad to get it," the printer agreed. The customer endorsed the certificate. The next morning the printer deposited the certificate in his own bank, received credit for the face thereof, and checked out the proceeds.

"The X Bank's been closed by the commissioners, and your deposit certificate came back unpaid," the cashier explained to the printer a few days later.

"It was your certificate after you had paid it," answered the printer.

"No, it was your certificate, and we had the option of collecting it either from the X Bank or from you, and you're the party we're going after, under the circumstances," the cashier declared.

"I'll see my own lawyer before I stand the loss," the printer retorted.

The printer learned, however, that he had to stand the loss, as his lawyer explained to him that the United States Supreme Court in the case of Armstrong versus American Exchange Bank, 133 United States Reports, 433, has laid down the rule that a bank, under such circumstances, may collect the deposit either from the issuing bank or from its own depositor.

MUST HOLD BILL OF LADING UNTIL DRAFT IS PAID

"Please ship the goods listed in the attached invoice, draw a draft on me and attach the bill of lading, to be delivered to me when the draft is paid," the new customer wrote. The printer shipped the goods, drew a draft on the customer, marked the draft "Deliver documents on payment," endorsed them and delivered draft and bill of lading to the local bank.

The bank, without insisting on the payment of the draft, detached the bill of lading, delivered it to the customer, and accepted from the customer his check drawn on a bank in another state and sent the check forward for collection. It came back marked "No funds."

The bank which advanced the proceeds of the draft to the printer demanded that he reimburse the bank.

"You've got no case against me when you took a chance on accepting the customer's check without insisting on payment of the draft," the printer contended, and the Supreme Court of Washington in a recent case reported in 229 Pacific Reporter, 743, ruled in his favor.

"Where a time draft attached to a shipper's bill of lading is left with a bank for collection, the bank must hold the bill of lading until the draft is paid, as security for payment of the draft as a cash transaction," said the court, quoting from a decision of the United States Supreme Court in 91 U. S. 613.

WHY BE A WRONG FONT?

"A wrong font is an individual character differing from its associates in the line. It may be above or below the standard of its typographic environment and is designated 'w f' by the proofreader and changed by the compositor to preserve that equanimity of proportion and harmony of style essential in good printing as in happy living. Until it gets back to its own case a wrong font is a sort of derelict, hustled hither and thither, costing the master money and the workman grief — a pariah among its fellows — for no caste is so pronounced as that of printing types.

"In propriety, however, the wrong font should be dealt with gently—it is the victim of human negligence—and should be returned unharmed to the repository of its kindred, where the beauty of its face and form may be appreciated and

This is how Superintendent McGrew of the School of Printing at Indianapolis philosophizes in one of the recent issues of *The Wrong Font*, the school's monthly paper, which gives Bill Meeks of the Saint Joe Valley Typothetae a chance to come back with the following organization argument:

"What a lesson in organization can be learned from a careful reading of Mr. McGrew's observations! The individual printer in a community or printing center who is not a member of his local printers' association and takes no interest in the welfare of his own printing community is most assuredly a 'wrong font.' Let all such printers consider seriously the advisability of abandoning the 'wrong font' status and getting into line with their associates with that 'equanimity of proportion and harmony of style essential in happy living.'"

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"With Regard to"

From an advertising manager in Philadelphia: "'With regard to,' or 'in regard to,' or 'in respect to,' or 'with respect to,' or 'regarding,' or 'respecting,' or 'concerning' the question of preferred styles of expression, please indicate your choice of these phrases, in order, in the following examples: 'Replying to your letter —— the use of heavy oil,' 'Analysis of the public attitude —— the Volstead act.' Possibly there are sentences in which any one of the quoted forms would be acceptable. I have a disinclination toward the expressions 'with regard to' and 'in regard to,' and I don't know why."

Probably because they are so much overused. They have become business patter, like "Replying to your letter, would say," instead of starting right off with the reply. I would say "your letter about the use of oil," "the public's attitude toward the Volstead act." The real error that sometimes creeps in is "in regards to."

As to "Vice"

Ages ago, I ran this facetious little note: "Lost — One hyphen. Please return to Vice-President. Without his hyphen, he finds it difficult to maintain the ancient virtue of his position."

Now a friend sends us this clipping from Rumford Rustler, house-organ of the Rumford Press, Concord, New Hampshire (the copy is not dated, and I don't know how long I may have had it among my papers): "According to the latest edition of the New International Dictionary (Webster), 'vice' is an adjective 'denoting a person who in certain cases may assume the office of a superior whose title is the same as that qualified by 'vice,' as 'vice president.' Why should a hyphen be inserted between an adjective and the noun it qualifies?"

Well, here's where I utter treason! When any dictionary tries to tell me "vice" is an adjective, I refuse to travel with it. "Vice" in this use is a prefix. It is the ablative case of the Latin noun "vix, vicis," and means "in place of." It is not an adjective. The Standard and the Century call it, correctly, a prefix. If "vice" were an adjective, it could modify other words than the names of official positions. The vice president could be described as a vice man, a vice official. He could be vice, vicer, or vicest. It is a prefix, like "ante" in "antedate," "anti" in "anti-suffrage," or "pre" in "prefix." If people are too lazy to use the hyphen in "vice-president," let them simply drop it, without proclaiming that a prefix is to be turned into an adjective.

The Mystery of Possession

A Chicago reader submits this puzzler: "I am interested in the use of the apostrophe in this title, 'Managers' Standard Fire Insurance Policy.' Our foreman says it should be omitted, inasmuch as these managers do not own this policy, they are merely selling it for a certain insurance company that does own it."

The grammatical possessive does not always indicate ownership, as may be demonstrated by citing such common expressions as "the men's smoking room," "the women's rest room." Another example that has come up in this department is "St. John's Church." To write "mens," "womens," "St. Johns," is foolishness, using a meaningless form as a way out of perplexity. And the odd thing about it is that the perplexity is as senseless as a shying horse's fear of a shadow. Some business houses insist, quite arbitrarily, on use or non-use of a possessive sign in their titles. The Travelers Insurance Company, I believe, dislikes having the possessive sign used in its title. It also insists on the single "1." How far it would go in turning down checks written to "Travellers' Insurance Company," I don't know.

The query brings to mind two quite obvious facts: That these names have a pronounced possessive suggestion, and that people are increasingly inclined to omit the apostrophe. And two comments are inspired by these facts: That the omission of the apostrophe can be defended, in many instances, cleverly and with considerable show of logic; and that each person is quite at liberty to surrender to the popular tendency, or resist it, according to his own conviction. As for me, I much prefer the old way, because it is systematic and understandable.

Odd-Moment Education

A very complimentary and appreciative letter from Nebraska closes in this fashion: "I am glad that you are not giving names of the questioners. I am also glad that you make every one feel so welcome to contribute questions. I enclose some."

Q.— In announcements and invitations where the year is spelled out, is it necessary to hyphenate thus: Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Five? A.—Just as necessary as to button the top button of a shoe if you want it to look right.

Q.—An English teacher with a degree came in the other day to read some proofs. "Is it necessary to use quotes on book titles when you give the author?" she queried. What do you say? A.—Giving the author's name does not affect the quotes on the titles, if that is the style that is being followed.

Q.—I have seen "ad." in print, with the quotes. Don't you think that is awkward? Have we hopes of its becoming just ad some day? A.—Hopes—or fears, as you prefer. The period is used to mark it as an abbreviation; the quotes, to indicate that it is used with consciousness of its irregularity. "Phone" is a recognized word. "Ad" is just as defensible.

Wanting to Learn Is Half an Education

I value this letter, from a young worker in Connecticut: "I have been sitting for over an hour, 'pen in hand,' trying to think of a good beginning for this letter so as to impress you with my knowledge of rhetoric and aptitude toward letter writing. But I have neither, and —I have begun the letter.

"I am twenty-three years of age, and have spent the last five years in various printing shops learning the operation of the linotype. The extent of my education (I should say basic education) is the usual one of a New York public school graduate, which to a printer means—you know what. And what I learned in each succeeding shop so radically contradicted anything I previously knew that now I really don't know what I know.

"I shall be greatly indebted to you if you will recommend for my use some authoritative book or books on the correct use of punctuation, division of words, and 'English as she should be spoke.' Those I have heretofore seen have, without courage, allowed exceptions for most of their rules, which, at the end of the book, left me puzzled and a bit vague as to what it was all about. I should prefer a book without grammatical technicalities, for which my basic education has not prepared me.

"I greatly enjoy and appreciate your articles in The Inland Printer, and follow most of your suggestions implicitly. What, if anything, do you think of this letter?"

A bright letter. It says something. Uses more words than are really needed. A bit too self-conscious. But meaty.

Would suggest "Constructive English," by Francis K. Ball (Ginn & Co.). It is not sugar coated, like the mail courses in English; not heavy, like the old-fashioned grammars. Take it in a little at a time. Let the reading be a pleasure, not a task.

Experience in different print shops may be confusing, or it may be broadly educational. A good operator or proofreader has his own personal style—and knowledge of other styles that enables him to adapt himself to the customs of any shop that has a defined system.

My father, who for thirty years conducted this department, left school and went to work when he was thirteen. I am a graduate and master of arts of Princeton. The self-educated man has some blind spots. The college graduate sometimes suffers from mental indigestion. One is apt to be deep but narrow; the other, to have knowledge spread out shallow. The final result depends more on the man than on his schooling.

Life in the print shop is educational—if you make it so.

When Lawyers Punctuate

Next, California: "I should appreciate a logical reason as to why the comma is placed inside a quotation in general use and on the outside of quotations when used in legal matter. If placed on the inside of quotations in legal matter, would it change the meaning in any way?"

The distinction is new to us. Even if it is true that most customers for law printing prefer the outside position for the comma next to a close-quote, the preference can be only a matter of taste in style, not of changed meaning. The comma is placed inside the close-quote only for looks.

Hints to Proofreaders

By EDWARD N. TEALL



Press kindly sent me a copy of its well known and widely used "Manual of Style," now in its eighth edition. These eight editions are true editions, not mere successive printings. The book has been revised each time, and has grown steadily in richness and what might be called

workability. Beginning some thirty years ago in a work sheet of notes by the Press's first proofreader, it attained book form in 1906. This latest edition has been so extensively made over that it seems almost like a new book. Editors and authors, advertising writers, printers, proofreaders and publishers may all find it useful, and proofreaders in particular should derive pleasure as well as information from it. Proofreaders are a good deal like the motorman who spent his vacation riding up and down on the trolley cars. They never tire of "shop."

In the section "Hints to Proofreaders" there is meat for the proofroom worker. "The proofreader acquires speed only through practice and training." Speed is not the big thing for the proofreader. Accuracy comes first; it is the reason for the proofreader's existence. He exists, during working hours, for the one purpose of detecting error. He is the one, of the whole print-shop organization, whose business it is to indicate need of correction and order the change from wrong to right. If to accuracy he can add speed, he increases the value of his service; but he must never let an impatient printer or editor push him to a speed that impairs his accuracy, unless in emergency where responsibility for the result is assumed by the house, through an executive. My grandfather, Francis A. Teall, famous in his time as an editorial proofreader, once worked forty-eight hours on a stretch, finishing the reading of

a cyclopedia rushed at the end to meet unexpected competition. I am sure that he read each line with the same care that he would have given it under normal conditions. He was willing to lose his sleep, but not to take chances on lowering the quality standard of his work.

Please let no proofreader in this audience take these words as justification for using the plea of accuracy as a defense against any charge of deficiency in speed. There must be discrimination. One kind of work differs in its requirement from another. Newspaper proofs are apt to go through with a single quick reading; editorials may get a revise, advertisements are sure to. Magazines and books get from two to four readings. A technical, scientific book may be proofread six or seven times. The newspaper's constant cry for speed is heard even in the proofroom. The reader must be judicious in adjusting his conscientious professional scruples to the demands of the work on which he is engaged. But always, accuracy is the real test; accuracy and thoroughness. The proofreader can have no blind spots.

The next topic in this section of the manual is education. I do not know that I can go all the way with the manual when it speaks up for a college education. But then, the manual has a book background — a background of university press books, at that — and I am thinking of the reader, also, who may work for a newspaper, large or small; for a job shop, or for a great metropolitan commercial plant. And I think in such work an academic education may be just a bit of a misfit. To speak frankly, the college graduate ought not to be a proofreader, except where learned publications are handled. Intelligence is needed; keen, quick, practical intelligence. Also, wide ranging and trustworthy information. The proofreader needs to know grammar and good English; not to guess and flounder, but to

know with certainty. Not, however, so much certainty that he can see only one way to punctuate or spell. He should be able to take an order to put through a specified style, and see that it is followed consistently. He should have authority; not theory or personal preferences, unsystematized, arbitrary and as indefensible as they are always in need of defense. He needs to know the different dictionaries, and wherein they differ. Just possibly, he is better off if his knowledge of Greek, for instance, is nothing more than a knowledge of the alphabet and the accents, sufficient to guide him in a mechanical checking up of proof with copy. He can hardly be expected to know enough Greek to be useful, critically, to the author, who does know Greek. And a little knowledge of the language might betray him into too ambitious error. This is an exaggerated example, perhaps; but it serves to illustrate wherein ordinary proofroom intelligence may be superior to academic education.

More desirable than college education, for the proofreader, is print-shop education. The proofreader must know type. Let the manual tell it: "A thorough knowledge of printing; of faces and sizes of types, symbols, spaces, furniture; of all the materials needed in the composition of printed matter, whether machine- or handset; and some understanding of composition and the processes of plating, presswork, and binding. The reader must be able to tell at sight whether a lead is too thick or too thin, and to discriminate between a thick space and a thin space. He must be able to detect a change of type face, even of a single letter of Modern mixed with Old Style, or vice versa. He must be able to tell whether a lockup is square, and must know type that is off its feet ever so Quite a large order! It has the book press background, yet there is nothing in the recital but what every ambitious proofreader must include in the catalogue of desirable virtues. One thing that may be hoped for the proofreader is that if he has editorial privileges, he will avoid such style as the manual's own expression in the quoted paragraph, "machine- or handset." "Machine-set or hand-set" would be better and more appropriate.

After accuracy and speed, the next quality to be sought by the proofreader is neatness. Illegible marks, spraddling marks, jumbled marks, add to the burden of the man who makes the corrections in the type. They use up time, and so are expensive. Guide lines, from type to proofreader's mark, should be used as sparingly as possible. If proof slips have proper margins, such lines will hardly ever be necessary. To let them get tangled in a blind crisscross is ruinous. Another possibility of teamwork between proofreader and compositor is in the marking of broken letters, and letters to be transposed. Do not mark through them. Ring them, so that the compositor can see what is there.

In newspaper work, the desk ought to send out copy marked for style. When the desk is slack, the compositor should go it on his own in the matter of style. Final action comes from the proofreader. An office whose rule it is, say, to spell out all numbers below 100, and to use numerals for everything over 100, should never permit such points to get as far as the proofreader. In commercial printing and bookwork, it has been found that preliminary copy-reading saves time and money. When it has been well done, the proofreader's task is one of mechanical checking up. If it has not been done at all, the weight of editorial responsibility falls on him. In either case he should be as zealous in not overdoing as he is in leaving nothing undone. This is where discretion, good judgment, becomes part of the proofreader's necessary equipment.

Discretion is called for, again, in the matter of querying. The reader should not waste time on trivial queries. But he should not hesitate to call for the author's or editor's decision on editorial queries. Anything unquestionably wrong should be corrected without a query; but the reader must always allow for such contingencies as deliberate misspelling or bad

punctuation, say in quoted matter, dialect, or the like. Editorial queries on the copy should be transferred to the proofs, set by set, until they reach the author.

The manual gives detailed instructions on the handling of galley and page proofs. These embody the customs of the University of Chicago Press. They are pretty nearly standard. They divide into two parts: the little, technical details, and the higher-grade service in which the reader works with the printer and the pressman: checking up on folios, running heads, position of plates and cuts, short pages, long pages, and so on. Every well ordered office has its own routine procedure in these processes. Every serviceable proofreader has his own little tricks for guaranteeing completeness of check-up, his own system of handling proofs, incoming and outgoing.

On teamwork between proofreader and copyholder, the manual is helpful. Especially pleasing is the emphasis on the service the proofreader can render by training the copyholder in the methods of his calling, educating him in its traditions, inspiring him with its ethics. "Each reader should help to train his own copyholder to be increasingly efficient." Let the copyholder see the markings; when there is time explain what they mean. "The proofreader should never shield himself behind his copyholder." The reader should be a gentleman and a "good sport." It is "good business" to make sure that there will never be temptation to pass the buck by questioning the copyholder when the reading seems doubtful, and taking a squint at the copy if the copyholder insists on his original reading, in the face of persistent misgiving on the part of the proofreader.

Next: "The proofreader should not read to the copyholder except in special cases in order to rest him after long, close work, and then he should proceed slowly and very distinctly." The copyholder is working with both eye and ear. It takes a good deal of practice to get them geared up together. A rule that every reader knows, but too many disregard, is that which forbids the reader suggesting words to the copyholder when the junior member of the team gets stuck. Another is, to "call" the copyholder when he mispronounces a word, or uses any word not in the printed matter. No matter how sure you may be of what is on your proof, you have not actually proofread it until you and the copyholder are in exact accord. Proofreader and copyholder must work with the intelligence of alert minds, but with the precision of machinery. Hundred per cent accuracy is the object to be sought.

Once, in my college days, I worked summertimes with a New York newspaper proofreader, who had a reputation for speed. He managed to be fairly accurate, too; but he was far from perfect, because he would not stop when I paused over a blind bit of copy. He would mumble the words as he had them on the proof, and slug along — unless there was something challengingly "off." He was not really reading proof, proofreaderwise, at all. He was giving the matter an editorial reading. He was so good a man, so well thought of as a reader, that I can only suppose in bookwork his method would have been different. And yet, after working with him in that newspaper office, I would have distrusted his fitness for complete responsibility on such work. The proofreader ought always be on the alert to resist the temptation to take the quick and easy way.

Fascinating, this business of "making the reading like the writing"—and sometimes a bit better. Not to be made a mere filler-in for smart people out of a job. Certainly not a refuge for those who think the world owes them a living. Hard work, nervous work—but richly rewarding to those who put themselves into it. May the calling never lack that morale which alone can preserve it in respect and win for its followers recognition and reward. Proofreading is a part, a vital part, of print-shop production. It should be held high—but its practitioners are the ones who set the standard.

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In Three Years

A Story of a Woman and the Printers of Chiapolis

The Second Year, Part IV.—By R. T. PORTE



HERE are so many more things to tell I don't know just where to start, and your train will be here pretty soon. I'll have to give you just a few incidents so you will have a general idea of conditions. It is too bad you can't stay longer, but you'll probably be here again soon and then I can tell you more. As I told you, Charley

Brown is fast being put in the shade by Mrs. Renier's errand boy. As a bit of advertising, that boy was a clever idea, and you have got to hand it to her. If she had done nothing else, that one thing would have been worth while knowing about.

Having stirred up the school board, cast out the old fogies there and placed young Bill, with five others, in charge of the schools of the city, Mrs. Renier seemed to look around for other enemies to conquer. She lit upon the Chamber of Commerce and, as might be expected, she started something.

In an unguarded moment the secretary of the Commercial Club had Mrs. Renier put on some committee, and of course she attended the meetings. At first she did not say much, but finally she made a recommendation or two that made the others sit up and take notice. At one of the meetings all the members idled away a lot of time, talking about everything but the business at hand.

"Gentlemen," Mrs. Renier suddenly said, "you may have time to spare, but I can not afford to spend two to three hours here to take care of business that any one of us would dispose of in ten or fifteen minutes in our places of business. I suggest that we at once take up the matters requiring our attention and dispose of them. Then those who have the leisure can remain behind to hear the latest stories, or discuss the new kind of rear axle on the Champion car, or talk about whether business is good or bad. In answer to that question, let me say that business is good with me, and one of the reasons it is good is because I attend to it. I suggest we make this business good by attending to it."

The secretary told me some of the members of the committee actually blushed. Without a word they went ahead with what they had been called together to do and wound it all up in fifteen minutes. Some of the members went over to Mrs. Renier and shook her hand, and from that time on that committee has transacted its business first and told stories afterwards. The secretary of the club told me what a great thing it was and how he had wanted to say the same thing time after time, but thought it wasn't wise. I told him to wait before praising Mrs. Renier too highly, that he had better see her otherwise engaged, or she would start in on him soon.

It didn't take long. One day Mrs. Renier asked for the different kinds of literature that the club got out to boost Chiapolis. Instead of saying they were almost out, the secretary told her they had a new lot, and that every interest in the city was included, even printing. The poor fellow, what a mistake he made! Several days later Mrs. Renier returned and asked the secretary whether every interest of the city had been included. He said as far as he knew he supposed so. He started to hedge just a little bit.

"It seems queer to me," Mrs. Renier replied, "that one-half or more of the population of this city should be ignored."

"That is not possible, Mrs. Renier," the secretary said, "for a very capable committee went over the entire field and made a very careful survey."

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"I will wager anything," she stated, "that the committee was composed entirely of men, and that they thought only of what the men of Chiapolis are doing."

Seeing that he was getting into hot water, the secretary began to hedge again. "That is so, but certainly the business interests of many women are shown, along with the rest." He stammered this and waited for the final blow.

"Yes, I see you have; but you have nothing in your literature to tell of the women's organizations in Chiapolis, not even a list of the various clubs, or pictures of the two neighborhood houses or of the three women's club buildings, all owned by women. There is a professional and business women's league in the city with a membership of over four hundred professional and business women. There are three political women's clubs, ten or twelve literary and charitable organizations and a women authors' club. Are you ashamed of them that not one word about them is to be found in the literature issued by the Commercial Club?"

"But, Mrs. Renier," the secretary parried, "we do not mention all the men's clubs and activities. Would it be right to mention all about the women's clubs?"

"You have given the men and business enough boosts. It is time you paid some attention to the women. Suppose a manufacturer or business man is looking for a new location and decides upon Chiapolis. Well and good. But doesn't he. in the majority of cases, take his wife and family into account? They deserve some consideration. If his wife is a club woman and is interested in other things beyond the four walls of her home, perhaps the knowledge that the women of our city are not entirely dead will interest her. A booklet showing views of the club buildings, a list of the various women's organizations and their purposes, with other information about them, might be worth while in helping that woman make the final decision in favor of Chiapolis. All your literature is aimed at the men. Why not shoot some of it in the direction of the other sex? In ninety cases out of a hundred it is the woman who makes the final decision as to whether the family shall stay or leave a town. Think that over."

And the secretary did. He had Mrs. Renier talk to the Board of Directors, with the result that she was told to get up a booklet containing this sort of information. Here is a copy of it. Before going ahead she asked about how much they wanted to spend, and suggested \$200. As this seemed reasonable, the board authorized her to do the work.

When Charley Brown saw the booklet he went to the secretary and asked who was butting in and why he had no chance to get it out.

"That's certainly a joke on you," the secretary said, laughing. "Another live printer was on the job, suggested the booklet, put it over and got the job. Better think up something else to be printed, or she will get all the work."

"She!" Charley exclaimed. "Did Mrs. Renier do this?"

"Surest thing you know. And she said she had more ideas
for us. The board is so pleased with her work that it is going
to give her more. As soon as this booklet was issued letters
came in from nearly all the clubs thanking the board for putting before the world so splendidly the work of the women of
Chiapolis, and assuring the directors of their appreciation and
coöperation. Four or five men have sent in applications for
membership, and we have traced it to their wives' telling them
they believed the Commercial Club was really beginning to
amount to something and they ought to join.

Charley came up to me about it, but what could I do? It was not a question of price, so he had no kick; but it worried him just the same.

"And we used to find fault with John Renier," he said to me. "How we cussed him out for his price-cutting. One can't cuss a woman, or get sore because another printer developed a job for a best customer and landed it. But just the same, I don't like it and I wish I knew what to do. That Mrs. Renier is worse than her husband."

Is that a fact? I have studied this matter for a long time, as job after job like that has come up. Before this woman's advent, we all thought it was a matter of price in competition and the boys kept away from each other's customers pretty well. But the applesauce is all upset now. There is a new deal. Not a printer in town can complain of Mrs. Renier's prices; but they all feel the effects of her competition. She is out after the profitable business and doesn't want any other. She's not sitting still, waiting for a chance to bid or for customers to drop in. She has discovered that to get work she has to go after it, not by method of price, but in a more subtle way. In doing this she seems to be stepping on the toes of the better printers of the town and they don't like it, yet they can not complain about it. It is all fair business, as I see it.

The Advertisers' Club didn't have any better sense than to ask her to attend its meetings and finally to join. The Advertisers' Club has always been a sort of mutual admiration society, attended by so-called advertising men, who enjoy each other's papers as they are read in turn and make criticisms about Cream of Wheat, Ivory Soap, or any of the other great successes in advertising. Their addresses were all along the line of "The Power of the Main Display Line," "Psychology and Slogans," "Putting It Over," "Securing Reader Interest," "Distribution as Effected by Advertising Pictures, Direct by Mail or Dealer Literature," "How \$200,000,000 Worth of Merchandise Was Sold by a Merchant in a Town of Two Hundred by Direct-by-Mail Methods and Newspaper Space" and "The Necessary Place of the Advertising Man."

This last speech started Mrs. Renier. The next talk was given by her, and as usual she threw a bomb that made the bunch gasp. I did not hear her talk, but one of my friends who is an advertising man with a sense of humor told me all about it. Mrs. Renier started out by saying that for once she had met with men and women who were quite sure they knew where they were going and who were convinced they understood the entire problem before them. As one who had much to learn, she was glad to have been privileged to join with them; she was sure that in time she would be able to understand all they were talking about.

She had been in the printing business only a year or so, but had found out that it took a great deal of time to learn to know even the various faces of type, to say nothing of the point system, correct typography, spacing, and so on. She had thought it would take her several years to know even a little about it all, but now having joined with this organization she hoped to be able to discover their method whereby in a month or two, in addition to knowing exactly how to write advertisements, they knew the name of each kind of type, how to use them best, the various sizes best suited to have the copy set in, and how to mark their copy so perfectly with such ability that the poor uneducated printer did not have to use any judgment whatever - had but to follow instructions and the advertisement would be perfect. In fact, how perfect she would show the members of the Advertisers' Club by proofs of one advertisement that had come to her and was properly displayed by Jim Whiting according to instructions. She had also another proof of the same copy as set by Jim according to the way he would set it; but, of course, he was only a printer, without that superior knowledge of typography the advertising man had. Jim had devoted only thirty years

to the study of printing, while the advertising man had taken a six months' mail course in advertising, read a book on "Marking Copy for the Printer," and should be duly qualified to give pointers to any printer who had ever picked an "e" out of the "h" box.

A roar of laughter went up when she exhibited the two proofs. I wish I had that proof of the advertisement my friend showed me. It was three columns wide and about twenty inches long. The main display line was in sixty-point and the next lines in six-point. There was italic, bold face, and even Old English mixed up in it. I doubt if the poorest printer Milson ever had in his country print shop could have done worse. The copy was divided into boxes, panels and what not. The reset was in Jim Whiting's usual clever style and was as pretty a piece of typography as I have ever seen. The spacing was remarkable and even the poor copy did not appear so bad as he had it displayed.

Some of the members seemed out of sorts about the jabs they got, but my friend smoothed it over a bit by a speech in which he said the joke was on them and that, after all, good typography was not something that could be picked up in ten minutes or ten years. It was an art, just the same as drawing, music, writing or sculpturing. He believed advertising men would be wise if they coöperated with real typographers like Jim Whiting in the setting of their advertisements and advertising literature. He, however, knew there were many compositors or typographers who did not have as good an idea of correct type display as the mail-taught advertising man who made the layouts. Other speeches followed and it was one great meeting.

I wonder if the advertising men have yet understood that Mrs. Renier put one over on them — that she did about as clever a piece of advertising for her business as was ever done in this town. They all had to acknowledge that Jim Whiting knew his business, and after that it was natural for them to send to the Renier Print Shop when they wanted something really good in the way of typography. She must have added about a dozen good customers to her list that day, yet it was done in a way that made a hit, changed the whole attitude of the Advertisers' Club and made it a real organization instead of

a mutual admiration society.

You can imagine what Martin thought of all this, and Charley Brown and some of the others when they heard of it. They had had things just about their own way before this, and had always maintained that superior air to all other printers. But Mrs. Renier takes the shop with the worst reputation in town and in just about two years by main force and energy places it among the topnotchers - and not by price-cutting, either. I imagine she has refused lots of work on account of price. Jim says she never worries if she has made a price and doesn't get the order. When he has asked her about jobs that didn't come in, she has told him she had not expected to get them and really didn't want them. There was no money in it, so why bother about it? But when she made up her mind a line of business was worth while and would show a profit, she usually got it, despite anything Martin, Brown or Anderson could do. It seemed to be the field against Mrs. Renier, with her coming in at the head under the wire. It got their goat, but I think they have now decided there is nothing to be done about it, so they take it as a matter of course.

The only plant that doesn't seem to mind is the good old reliable Consolidated. That is the one shop in this town that goes on its own way. You've got to hand it to Leon Masterfield, the president; he is a clever business man and never lets anything bother him. No one from the Consolidated ever comes to any of the meetings, but the company's dues are always paid on the first of the month. Many years ago Masterfield put in a cost system, a real one. His company does railroad, bank and county work and a lot of corporation work

that just naturally comes in. It seems strange that so big a plant doing so much business so rarely comes into competition with the other printers. It is almost forgotten by the others, yet it is a big factor in the printing industry of Chiapolis.

I wonder what might happen if this giant woke up and went after additional business. It would certainly be hard times for the other printers in town if some man who was as big a hustler as Mrs. Renier had the plant. But Masterfield seems to know his business, and the Consolidated moves along year after year undisturbed. Even Mrs. Renier has not touched it. The Consolidated loses work and gets work, takes out-of-town work, prints almost everything that can be printed, and says the least.

Look at this yearly summary of costs. No, it is not the Consolidated Company's record. It is Mrs. Renier's for the first year she has operated a cost system. It is about as pretty a report as I have ever seen, and with the exception of the Consolidated I believe it is the best one gotten out today in Chiapolis. I have gone over every item, and without checking from her books I think it is correct. She shows a net profit of eighteen and a half per cent for the year, which isn't so bad, when it looks as if she has gone the limit in charging off depreciation and has entered every item of expense possible. She hasn't missed many, I can tell you. I saw the Consolidated's last summary and it showed a profit of nineteen per cent. There aren't two other shops in this town that can make as good a showing, or even come near them. Considering that the average net profit is not over six per cent, it looks as if these two know their business, though their methods differ.

How did the election go in November? Oh, just about as usual, except that Mrs. Renier had to mix up in it. After the Board of Education deal the politicians decided she knew something about politics and went to her for a little help. She got out a special women's paper for the women voters, and some of it was mighty clever, you can bet on that. It was the first time any party ever paid much attention to the women, except to place one or two on the ticket where they could do the least harm. This time it was different. At first the little four-page paper was sent out weekly, then twice a week, and finally every day to practically every woman voter in the state. It cost a lot of money, but the funny part of it was that the men got to reading the sheet, and liked it. The other party made fun of the "hen rag," as they called it, but before long they woke up and started a similar one. Martin got the job of printing it, as it would not do to have both printed at the same office.

Again you've got to hand it to Mrs. Renier. When the campaign was over Martin found that the party owed him over \$800. He has tried for months to get it, and it looks as if he is stuck. But not Mrs. Renier. A week before the end of the campaign she made the committee deposit enough money to pay for all the issues for the final week, to be drawn out as she got out the paper. They hollered, but she said no money no paper, and after a few hours' delay they dug up the money. Martin is whistling for his money, but Mrs. Renier has hers. It just shows a difference, that's all.

I ought to tell you about the speech she made a couple of weeks ago to the Ben Franklin Club. I have been saving it for the last, because I know you will appreciate it, and probably get a kick out of it. That woman certainly has nerve, to say the least. What she said to the advertising men was mild compared with the talk she gave the printers. They are still talking about it. Some of the advertising men heard about it, and the joshing the printers are getting is sure great. John Duncan and Walter Tengier are up in the air, because she happened to hit them the hardest. Both of these are prone to cast reflections on printing, not because they don't like printing, but because it has become a sort of habit with them. Mrs. Renier has been coming to the meetings regularly every

week, right on time, and seems interested in everything said and done. She voted on all the questions that came up, but had very little to say. When asked to express an opinion, she always begged to be excused because she was a newcomer in the business. Somehow I felt she was just waiting for something to happen. No one sensed she was playing a game and was throwing the bunch off the track until she had the opportunity to come out in the open. I began to get worried and wondered each week whether the break would come; but things went on smoothly week after week, until I almost gave up wondering what might happen.

There's the telephone. Yes, it's Eugene. You have. We were out for lunch. Yes. What? Say it again. Good heavens, is it possible? I'll phone Mort right away. What do you know about that! Yes, just as soon as I can I'll be right home. Yes, it seems too impossible to be true. We were talking about him just now. Good-by, dear.

What do you know! Leon Masterfield died this afternoon at the hospital. I didn't even know he was to be operated on. Cancer of the stomach or something. I wonder what will happen at the Consolidated now. And we were just talking about him a few minutes ago. I am surely all jumbled up.

You must catch your train. What I was telling you will have to wait. I must try to get Mort Chilger on the telephone and tell him the news and call a meeting at once. It can't seem possible that good old Leon Masterfield is dead.

Good-by. I know you will excuse me if I don't go to the train with you. This news has broken me up. Write to me when you get back and I'll give you all particulars. Drift down this way again, and I will tell you what Mrs. Renier said.

WHY THE JAP WORKS BACKWARD

My good friend, Bill Feather, who lives out in Cleveland, where he runs a print shop and edits a string of successful house-organs, says that the most frequent source of misunderstanding in this world is the habit most people have of looking for points of difference in other people, writes Miss Marshall in the B. & B. Revealer.

He tells about a man who was a professor in a Japanese university for a number of years. This man says that when he first went to Japan he was quite sure that the Japs did everything the wrong way. They sawed wood by drawing the saw toward them, they backed their horses into the stall, their clocks struck eleven when ours were striking one, their blacksmiths worked sitting down, and, when they wanted to rest, they stood up.

This professor told Bill that gradually he learned there was a logical reason for each of these seemingly queer habits. Pulling the saw prevented buckling. "When are you in a hurry—when you put your horse in the stall or when you take it out?" was the answer of the man who was questioned about the horse. It seems the Japanese prefer to know how many hours are left in the day rather than how many hours have passed. The blacksmith who sits down works with his feet as well as with his hands—literally he has four hands. This professor came to the conclusion that the Japanese are no smarter than the rest of us and no more crooked.

"The sameness of this view," says Bill, philosophizing, has led me to reflect that most of our prejudices and intolerance are due to lack of information and knowledge. It is easy to hate a person you do not know and have never seen, if the information about him is unfavorable. Adversely, it is easy to make a god out of a man about whom there is a minimum of information all favorable.

"The only safe plan is to keep an open mind and, if you want to be fair in your judgment, look for points of similarity and not for points of dissimilarity only."



By EUGENE ST. JOHN

The assistance of pressmen is desired in the solution of the problems of the pressroom in an endeavor to reduce the various processes to an exact science.

Replies to inquiries will be made by mail only when accompanied by stamped self-addressed envelope.

Register Trouble

"Recently we handled a two-color close-register broadside which caused us much grief. To begin with, the plates were delivered to us two days late, which left only twenty-four hours to complete the job. The register, especially on the off side from the grippers, left much to be desired. Stock used was folding enamel; sheet size, 19 by 25, work and turn; cylinder press. The sheet was run over a gas heater, which we presume caused a slight shrinkage. What is the general practice in running colorwork?"

Answer.— Printing on unseasoned paper naturally leads to register trouble. Color printers and lithographers in various ways try to minimize the shrinkage and expansion of paper. The paper-seasoning machine has come to the front as the best available device to condition paper quickly. Your trouble was doubtless aggravated by printing on 19 by 25 cut from 25 by 38. Had it been cut from 38 by 50 you could have kept the longer dimension across the cylinder. The shrinkage naturally was at the back edge, as the back edge of the pile on the delivery table gets the most heat from the gas flame. Had you been able to deliver the sheets into a box farther away from the flame you might have avoided the trouble.

Trouble in Working Gold Ink

"I am submitting a sample of a job I tried to print with gold ink, light. The ink was purchased the day it was used, but seemed very thin, with very little body; roller distributed ink on disk, but would not distribute on type. I tried adding japan dryer and using powdered alum on rollers, but the sample I am sending is the best result I got. The rollers worked perfectly with job black ink, which I finally used and dusted the job with gilt powder. Can you tell me of something to put in the gold ink to make a body, as I believe it would work if it were thicker? The job was run on a platen press with three rollers."

Answer.—To be worked without trouble, gold ink must be well mixed and the form, rollers and ink plate absolutely free of grease. It is very important that the rollers are in first-class condition and not larger than the trucks. The makeready should be such as to get a clear, sharp impression without squashing. From the description you give, your rollers either were waterlogged or too old to lift the heavy gold ink and distribute it on the form.

Imitation Typewriter Printing

A New York printer asks (1) what silk to use, (2) what sort of ink, (3) whether hard or medium packing and what kind of rollers should be used for imitation typewriter printing.

Answer.—Proceed as in regular printing. Use rollers in good condition, ink suited to the paper, hard packing for a form of new material, softer packing for old material and get China silk of same mesh as typewriter ribbon to be matched.

Broken Solids in Plates

A Maryland pressman submits prints of catalogue forms containing electrotypes of halftones which had been printed from before the electrotypes were made. The steel-finished electrotypes print with a mottled appearance in the solids, which careful makeready and trial of different halftone inks failed to overcome.

Answer.—If you will examine the print of the solids through a strong glass you will find that the solids are broken, the paper showing through. This causes the mottled appearance and presswork can not overcome it. The high-lights and middle tones print without mottling and so do solid patches.

Red Appears Flat on Process Yellow

An Indiana printer submits prints of same process yellow and red on super and on litho label. On the super the yellow dried and the red appears full strength, but on the litho label the yellow did not dry and the red appears flat.

Answer.— If time permits, have your inkmaker furnish yellow for the litho label made up to suit sample submitted him. Otherwise an ounce of paste drier to the pound of yellow will make it dry so the red will have sufficient priming base. The light and life of a process print depends on a strong yellow. Nothing can take its place. The red is flat not only because the yellow failed to dry, but also because not enough color was carried on the yellow form.

Printing on Hand-Made and Deckle-Edge Paper

"I enclose specimens of a leaflet printed on my press. I printed a few of these on hand-made paper, but could not get a good black print (using the same tympan) unless I damped the paper first, as the early printers used to do. I shall be much obliged if you will tell me how to do good printing on this paper without damping, the amount of tympan to use, kind of ink, etc. Also can you tell me how to do register work, initials, monograms, Christmas ornaments, etc., on deckle-edge paper?"

Answer.—It is not necessary to damp hand-made paper. Use a hard packing like celluloid; have the platen parallel to form; even up the impression with underlay and overlay; use rollers in good condition and of the same diameter as the trucks; and use a high-grade bond ink. If one edge of the deckle paper is smooth, feed it to the lower guides. Secure a lift of paper under paper-cutting machine clamp, in a tablet box clamp or in a pair of carpenters' clamps and run a rasp over the deckle edge which goes to end guide at the point preferred. The smooth spot so caused will not be noticed. Repeat this on the other guide edge if it is deckled. Besides the celluloid, use over it one or two sheets of S. and S. C. cut from 25 by 38—60 pounds and an oiled manila drawsheet (tympan, topsheet). Beneath the celluloid use hard pressboard if obtainable flat, or index bristol.

Flour or Biscuit Overlay

"We are interested in improving our method of cylinder makeready and should like to know if you can furnish us with directions for the use of flour or biscuit overlay."

Answer.—Flour is dusted on an impression in tacky ink and then baked. We are inclined to believe you will prefer the mechanical chalk relief overlay after trial of both.

Two-Color Print on Gordon Press

A Pennsylvania printer submits a very creditable two-color job from plates and type on coated paper executed on a Gordon press and asks for criticism.

Answer.—The job is entirely creditable. Careful scrutiny will reveal slight imperfections in the inking, which can hardly be avoided without geared vibrators.

Waterlogged Rollers Inefficient

A Pennsylvania printer says his new rollers will not distribute the ink except on the ink plate and asks the cause.

Answer.—The new rollers contain too much moisture and lack sufficient tack to carry the ink, hence can only roll it out on the plate. A change in the weather in a few days may reduce the moisture content and then the rollers will have tack enough to be efficient.

Apparent Picking Caused by Dirty Ink

A New York printer submits print on coated paper showing specks in the large letters and asks what causes the ink to pick.

Answer.—If you will examine the print through a strong glass you may note that the trouble is specks of dried ink or dirt in the ink, and not picking. A strong glass will often prove useful in showing just what the trouble is. Very often ink is doctored and paper condemned for picking, when the trouble is caused by dirt or dried specks of ink.

Invisible Ink

A New York printer asks where invisible printing ink may be obtained.

Answer.— It is not a stock ink. Any inkmaker can manufacture it. If your regular supplier of ink does not carry it you may get it from the American Printing Ink Company, Chicago. No matter where you get it, consult the maker before using it, as special treatment of rollers and ink plate is necessary with some invisible inks. In the product of one manufacturer it is necessary to shellac the ink plate and slip rubber over the composition rollers.

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PRACTICAL HINTS ON PRESSWORK

By EUGENE ST. JOHN

In this age of specialization in the printing industry most printers are barred from certain fields. There are ways around. Groups of printers may combine to operate offset or rotagravure plants or affiliate with them. The printer can not compete with short runs of seventy-five on Ditto or a few hundred on the Multigraph, so many printers have added these machines to their equipment, not so much because of the value of these orders but because of larger work that may follow.

The printer can not compete with the envelope manufacturer on runs over ten thousand, because the latter not only operates rotary envelope printing presses but also special rotary machines which make and print envelopes in one operation. This beats the old stunt of running numerous electros of a form on a cylinder press and afterwards making up the envelopes.

Paper dealers can sell the printer ruled goods of a wide range at a price lower than he would pay if he bought the stock and ruled it or had it ruled by a paper ruler. Some of this ruled paper is stock. Any special ruling may be bought from this source if the order is large, say two cases to a ton. Large orders for cut cards which must be all exactly a certain size, as, for instance, 3 by 5 index, can be handled only on a rotary cutting device, and here again is another instance wherein the paper dealer can be of service.

On forms of rules or rules and type in one or more colors it is sometimes more economical to use wax engraving, at others to utilize the camera and make a zinc etching, more especially on reprints, than to set by hand or machine. A large part of the ruled forms, with or without type, is most economically done by setting the horizontal and the vertical lines in separate sections, locking these up in one form, printing twice, after turning it around, on a double-size sheet and finally bisecting the sheet. On the cylinder press the bisecting may be done with the slitter. The most important requirement in accurate slitting is to have the form at a true right angle to the slitter, the stock cut square and the guides set as accurately as the form is locked up.

The utilization of the capabilities of the regular and special typographic numbering machines would furnish material for a book; the printer when confronted with work requiring numbering out of the ordinary should consult the manufacturers of these machines, who have solved some astonishing problems in economical numbering.

While overequipment should be avoided, the other extreme is probably worse. If the work undertaken requires four-roller cylinder presses and Colt's Armories it is foolish to attempt it on two-roller cylinder and light platen presses. There is a limitation of the capabilities of each press. The printer should equip for the work handled.

Two important points in pressroom operation are: (1) To utilize the entire chase area of the press and (2) to reduce the idle time of the press to the minimum. Imagine how many million impressions are forever lost by running one form when two could as easily be run! Sometimes four could be as easily run as one!

Beginning near the bottom of the scale: Two letterheads may often be printed on a 10 by 15 platen press on an 11 by 17 sheet by using a skeleton chase. Four small jobs often may be printed on this size press in one operation. Larger presses offer even greater possibilities of saving presswork. It will pay any printer with a considerable volume of work to sort out the jobs that may be put to press together. The saving in presswork often makes up for cutting stock to waste, especially if the waste stock may be utilized, if only for scratch pads. This means that no stock 3 by 5 inches or over need ever be wasted. Pieces smaller than 3 by 5 may also sometimes be used.

The form area of the platen press is limited sidewise by special narrow grippers. These need be no wider than the frame of the skeleton chase. To get the utmost out of the skeleton chase it may be fitted with a block of wood which entirely fills it. Plates are tacked on with brads. By this arrangement the space required for quoins is saved. Extension gages add considerably to the size of sheet which may be printed.

The size of the form and the size of the sheet which may be printed on the cylinder press are limited by the distance between cylinder bearers crosswise. Lengthwise the form is limited by how far it may "print in the shoe," and the sheet by the delivery mechanism. Considerable economies may be worked out by utilizing narrow instead of standard bed bearers, chases with bearer-high side bars and secondary or false beds for plate printing. The sheet may be up to one-eighth inch less in width than the distance between cylinder bearers except when special narrow bed bearers are used, then the sheet may be one-eighth less than the distance between the special narrow bed bearers.



By MARTIN HEIR

Author "Printing Estimators' Red Book" and "How to Figure Composition."

Matters pertaining to cost-finding, estimating and office methods will be discussed through this department. Personal replies by letter will be made only when request is accompanied by return postage.

How to Estimate Printing

Lesson No. 14

TIPPING BY MACHINE.—As was shown in Lesson 11, tipping by hand is an expensive proposition, especially in edition and high-class periodical work. By the use of a tipping machine the work may be done considerably cheaper.

The Maresford Tipping Machine is suitable for tipping on plates, title pages, frontispieces with tissue attached, waste or end papers, protection papers, four and eight page sections,

etc., on the outside of signatures, either front or back. The sheets and tips are placed in bulk in the hoppers of the machine, which separates them automatically, and brings them to register and pastes them together. No special condition of the sheets, tips or paste is ordinarily required, a fair condition of the material being the only requisite except in cases where there are some extremes in the weight of paper, or where strips are attached or parts removed, such as in guarded maps and similar unusual jobs.

The operation of the machine is very rapid, ranging from forty tips a minute on the largest size (5 by 8, to 10 by 14) to fifty a minute of the smallest (4 by 6, to $7\frac{1}{2}$ by $10\frac{1}{2}$).

AUTOMATIC TRIMMING MACHINES.— So much misinformation has been peddled about book and magazine trimming that we find it necessary to caution the estimator to look before he leaps. First of all, it should be evident that the number of books trimmed per minute or per hour depends entirely upon the thickness of the book, as the limit of the piles which may be trimmed in automatic book trimmers ranges from four to six inches. Thus it will readily be understood that a book half an inch thick can be trimmed twice as fast as a book one inch thick. It will also be understood that a book printed on fifty-pound stock can be trimmed twice as fast as one of the same number of pages printed on hundred-pound stock. In

other words, the only safe method for the estimator to follow is to ascertain the number and height of the piles which may be trimmed on the book trimmer in his shop; then figure out how many books in each pile. The usual method is to figure the piles trimmed per minute.

Take, as an example, the ordinary issue of The Inland Printer, 168 pages and cover, and eight to ten inserts. Its

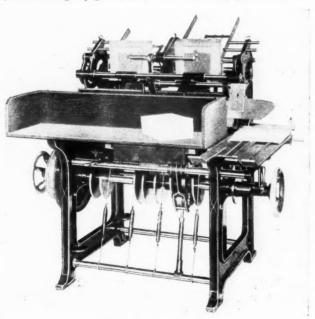
thickness is half an inch; consequently, if the machine on which it is trimmed takes piles 5½ inches high, eleven books can be trimmed in each pile. With a production of twenty-four piles a minute, 264 books a minute, or 15,840 books an hour, may be trimmed. Thus an entire edition of 13,000 copies may be trimmed in less than an hour.

Caution: Because the trimming of saddle-stitched books is somewhat hampered on account of the swell of the books and the wire in the back, side-stitched books may be trimmed considerably faster. We have no actual records to show the difference in time required, but it is safe to say that ten per cent more time should be figured for this class of

be figured for this class of work than for side-stitched books. Even if the number of pages is the same, the saddle-stitched books are bulkier, thus reducing the number of books in the piles. They are also more cumbersome in handling.

Below we are giving a number of production records of four of these book trimmers:

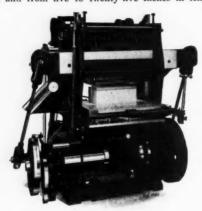
Rowe Straight-Line Automatic Trimmer.—There are three sizes of this machine, one to trim books from 5 by 7, to 9 by 12; another from 6 by 9, to 10 by 14; a third from $8\frac{1}{2}$ by $11\frac{1}{2}$, to 12 by 16. It takes a pile of books $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches high at a rate of thirty piles a minute. The Popular Mechanics Magazine, Chicago, with five books to the pile, is trimmed at



The Maresford Tipping Machine

the rate of 9,000 an hour; the *Liberty Magazine* (saddle-stitched), with twenty-five books to the pile, at the rate of 750 a minute, or 45,000 an hour. These are averages obtained from the ordinary run of the machine without an attempt to speed up production.

Seybold Three-Knife Book Trimmer.—This trimmer will take work from 2½ to sixteen inches in width from bound edge to face, and from five to twenty-five inches in length from



The Seybold Three-Knife Book Trimmer

head to tail, in piles six inches high. In gathering these records it has been observed more than once in one or more Chicago plants, when the operators were not aware that they were being watched, that eight piles of books a minute were handled. This performance was observed on high-class sewn books for case binding. The same production was also noted on saddle-stitched publication work.

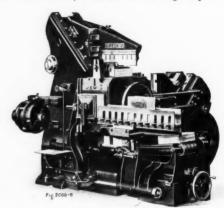
Seybold Continuous Automatic Trimmer.—The work produced on this machine ranges in size from 4 by 6 inches, to 12 by 16 inches, in piles 5½ inches high, twenty-four piles a minute. This machine is capable of handling anything in the line of books, from thin pamphlets of a single signature up to single sewn books six inches thick.

Smyth Automatic Trimmer.—The range of work for this machine varies from 4 by 6 inches, to $8\frac{1}{2}$ by $11\frac{1}{2}$ inches, in piles four inches high. Twelve piles a minute have to our

WHAT IS PROFIT?

"Profit," says *The Typogram*, of Los Angeles, "is that part of the price of anything which remains after all possible costs of production are paid. This includes the raw material, labor, overhead, insurance, taxes, interest, rent and every legitimate or regular item of the actual cost of production.

"In certain circles of radicals, possessed mostly of cold hearts and hot heads, with a scant knowledge of political econ-

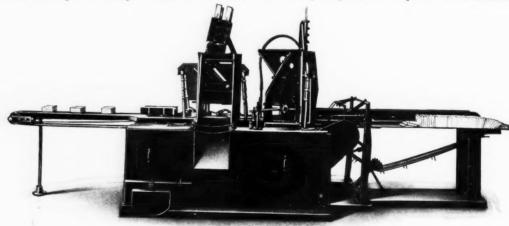


The Sevbold Continuous Book Trimmer

omy, profit taking is denounced. It is condemned as theft whenever it enters into the cost of any article. Because of these irrational statements, it is necessary occasionally to point out what profit is and what it is not.

"Interest is not profit. Interest is the wages of capital, while capital is but stored-up labor. Wages is not profit, except that part of it which exceeds the actual and regular cost of living. That part of wages in excess of such needs which can be laid aside as savings is as truly profit as is that part of the price of a commodity which remains after regular cost of production is met.

"Profit is morally justified in every instance—either to a manufacturer, or a dealer, or to labor. It is the reward for excellence of service in any respect. To the dealer it is the reward for keeping on hand, ready for immediate use, any commodity for general consumption. This is a service to the



The Rowe Straight-Line Automatic Trimmer

knowledge been trimmed on this machine, while the manufacturers claim that fifteen piles are possible. In other words, the machine may be said to have an average production of from 4,000 to 5,000 half-inch side-stitched books an hour.

community for which he who serves is entitled to remuneration. It is the best part of the compensation of labor — that portion of his income which helps to lift him above the brute. It is the material basis of civilization itself."

The Printers of Abilene

Part X.—By MARTIN HEIR



URIOUSLY enough, the printers of Abilene paid little or no attention to the establishment of a new competitor in their field; not that they did not care whether they had the field all to themselves without having to give up some of their work to a rank outsider; nor that they considered Richard Farwell a nonentity who was not

to be feared. No, not that; they guarded their interests with the utmost zeal. If Dick had been a business man of experience and standing, establishing himself among them on recognized business principles, they would probably have been kept awake nights with fear that he would take away one or more of their best customers, either by superior workmanship, improved service, or cut prices. As it is usually the case that a new concern is given a trial order or two, out of sympathy or benevolence, if for no other reason, they were prepared to lose a limited amount of work to Dick; but they considered the quantity negligible or not of much concern, especially as they doubted his ability to face the financial storm which sooner or later must reach him.

"There is not much to fear from one who starts in business on seventy-five per cent borrowed capital," said Sam Hilyard one day, discussing the new competitor. "Success would mean that Dick must show a profit on every order, and that he must have a steady flow of orders from the start to meet his obligations. It's not done nowadays in the printing business. He may tide himself over for a while by diverting all his income toward paying off his notes; but this would mean that his credit would be ruined with the other supply people, and that he would have to pay cash for all his needs. So there is not much to worry about."

"Unless he should start to slash prices right and left to get the work," interposed Dick Knox. "The trouble with the printers who start up in business on borrowed capital is that they are tempted to take work at any price to keep the presses running. They seem to believe that money can be made when a press is producing, regardless of the cut price."

"Even that would be of short duration, as he could not make a profit by cut prices; and his financial condition is such, as I said, that he can not afford to produce a single job at a loss. To pay maturing obligations from profits, a continuous profit is absolutely necessary if the business is to prosper. Allowing for fluctuations in the orders coming into the shop, and delays in payments, even under the best circumstances, perhaps not more than one-half of the anticipated profits could be applied on the payment of these obligations. If the profits decrease, which they surely will if he should start to cut prices, the income is insufficient to meet the payments. A note or two may be deferred, which would only add to the creditor's holdings. This is a dangerous proposition. Temporary palliatives may be applied, but, after all, nothing can take the place of a steady profit. When a business is losing ground, the owner can not expect to borrow money on advantageous terms. The lender would require security; the borrower has none to offer. As I see it, there is only one possible outcome - another failure."

But this was exactly what the business men of Abilene would try to prevent, even at personal sacrifice, if their words meant anything at all. They had had their lesson, which they would not have repeated at any cost.

The printers of Abilene had other worries, however, and it is very likely that this may, to a great extent, account for their indifference. The morning after the meeting in the Association of Commerce, at which it was decided to establish a central estimating bureau of printing as a special service to the association members, the following advertisement appeared in the Abilene Morning News:

Warning—The printers of Abilene have combined among themselves to prevent competition and to fix the prices of printing. As this can have no other result than higher prices, and as such a move is a direct violation of the Sherman Act, the printing buyers of Abilene are warned against such a combine. Needless to say, Clark & Jackson are not members of such a combine, nor will they ever become parties to such a scheme or hold-up of the unsuspecting business men of Abilene.

CLARK & JACKSON 601 Main street

Ed Thomas saw the advertisement when he sat down for his breakfast. It was his usual custom to glance through the paper while his wife poured his second cup of coffee; but this morning he took up the paper before he touched his breakfast. His hands were shaking and his lips quivering as he read this powerful accusation. He had expected almost anything but this from Tom Clark.

"What's the matter, Ed?" asked his wife, who at once noticed that something was wrong.

As an answer he handed her the paper, pointing to the ad. "Look for yourself," he said.

She read the ad. slowly, weighing every word. "And you are a party to this combine, Ed?" she queried.

"There is no combine, my dear," Ed Thomas said.

"There must be something, or else they wouldn't dare advertise as they do."

"Yes, there is something, but it is far from being what they say it is." Then he told her what had happened the day before.

But she was not satisfied. She insisted that if everything had been on the square the *News* would not dare to print such an ad. No matter how much Mr. Thomas tried to convince her, she kept on with her objections, repeating time and again that there must be something wrong when it said so in the paper.

Finally he left her with the statement: "If anything wrong has been done, it will be corrected at once."

"I surely hope so," she said.

When Thomas sat down at his desk he found telephone messages from Sam Hilyard, Dick Knox and Mrs. Brewster. All wanted to know what the next move would be. Ed told them all to be at the Association of Commerce at eleven sharp that morning. Again he brought with him Harry White, Jr., and Earl Tandler. "There is an added security in increased numbers," he tried to convince himself.

"What are we to do now?" seemed to be the unanimous question. Outwardly they were calm, but a certain nervousness both in words and demeanor betrayed their real state of mind.

"The pup!" It was the least offensive of all the epithets hurled at the absent Tom Clark, but it seemed to be most effective. It was uttered by Dick Knox.

"We probably will have to start a publicity campaign of our own to counteract the bad impression given by the ad. in the *News*," Sam Hilyard suggested.

"I hardly think so," said Ed Thomas. "I believe that indifference is our most effective defense. Sometimes when I stay late at the club and my wife meets me with a smile, as if nothing has happened, I feel ill at ease and wonder what

she is up to. If, on the other hand, she upbraids me for staying out so late, I know that things are all right. I am in favor of ignoring Tom entirely."

"But this may not be his only attack on us," suggested Mrs. Brewster.

"It probably is not. He may be filling the same space for days—even for weeks. But what of it? He can't do any more harm than he already has done. To a certain extent we are up against it. Newspaper publicity of this kind is bound to create antagonism in the minds of the people. And we can't afford it. It is up to us to take steps to prevent its repetition." It was Sam Hilyard who thus expressed his views.

"What do you have in mind, Sam?" Ed Thomas queried.
"How would it be to again organize a local of the typothetae with a paid secretary? I admit that our experience with the one we had was not of the best. But it surely must be possible to find a man who would be a little more than a chair warmer. If we had one of the right sort he could tend to all these things so that we would not have to spend our valuable time on these annoyances."

"Yes, to be sure, such a man can be found, if we want him and are willing to pay him a fair salary," assented Ed Thomas. "But let us remember that the only object of an organization of this kind is to help the members make money and to keep peace in the industry — not merely to provide a job for some one. If we could find such a man, I would gladly foot the bills. It would mean dollars and cents in my purse, at that. But it would mean a man who could tell us where to get off, if need be; one who could boss us with the same fearlessness as we boss our own subordinates."

"This is also the view of Mr. Brewster," Mrs. Brewster said. "Time and again Mr. Brewster has told me that if our secretary had been of the right kind when our troubles started we would not now be where we are. Although I do not believe it is quite fair to blame some one for not preventing what others do, I can readily see that a secretary with a strong personality and the confidence of the members can do wonders to keep the straying sheep within the fold. I may also tell you that matters are now being adjusted in such a way that Mr. Brewster will be at the head of the General Printing Company within a week; for this happy conclusion of our troubles we are surely thankful to you, gentlemen. If it had not been for vour generosity the General Printing Company would have been lost to the Brewster interests. As a little token of appreciation for your kindness, and in view of your offer of coöperation, Mr. Brewster wishes me to convey to you the assurance that he will work with you in anything you may decide among yourselves. He has confidence in your good judgment, and his greatest wish is to again become a respected member of the printing fraternity of Abilene."

Mrs. Brewster, when she had finished her little speech, was fully aware that she had the confidence of all present. She had hoped that this would be the case, because so much depended upon a clear understanding and the good will of those with whom she and her husband would have to work in the future. These were the men who had suffered financial losses because of the foolish acts of her husband; and it was a great relief to her to know that no hard feelings were still lingering against Mr. Brewster. To convince them of the hearty coöperation of the Brewsters was, therefore, a natural consequence. She was fully aware that she had succeeded beyond her fondest hopes.

"We are surely glad that Mr. Brewster is with us in what we do," Mr. Thomas said. "His prestige and that of the General Printing Company may have suffered somewhat by what has happened, but we are sure that when he is among us he will again make good. Do I then understand, Mrs. Brewster, that he will also be with us in an organization with a paid secretary?"

"Yes, sir, assuredly."

"Then, as far as I can see, our only problem is to find the man we need. This in itself is no small problem, however. To find a man in whom we can have absolute confidence, who can pilot our frail craft into a safe haven, is a big task. There are not many of this kind available. As matters now stand he must be a business man among business men. As our representative he must take his seat among the leaders of the city, and as an arbiter he must be fair to all concerned without fear or favor. He must also be a printer of wide experience. We can not afford to dally along with some one inexperienced in our business, no matter how good and valuable he may be in other respects. Has any one of you a suggestion to offer?"

No one had; but Sam Hilyard thought that the headquarters of typothetae should be approached with a feeler. "They would surely be in position to know, if anybody is," he added.

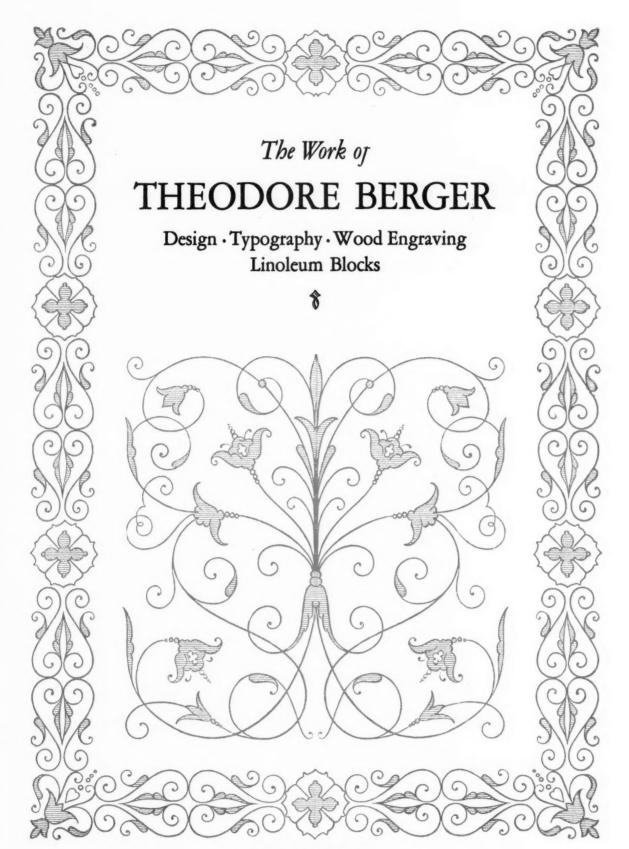
"Didn't they send us our last secretary?" Harry White, Jr., wanted to know.

"Yes, they did," Ed Thomas assented. "But the conditions were entirely different then. At that time typothetae was swamped with requests for secretaries. Every typothetae local wanted one, and they had to send what they could find without prejudice. A large number proved efficient and qualified for their jobs, while a few fell by the wayside. It would have been a miracle if it had proved otherwise. Now, however, it is different. Typothetae work has been stabilized more or less; new material has become available and training has been afforded. The possibilities are that they may be able to at once furnish us the man we want. At least, they can do it better than we can. I believe it is our best bet."

There was no objection, so it was unanimously decided to engage a paid secretary for the printers of Abilene through the good offices of typothetae, the main stipulation being that he should be a business man who could carry himself with dignity and assurance among business men. Salary would be commensurate with ability.



"In the Days That Wuz"-The Usual Saturday Bluff Cartoon by John T. Nolf, Printer-Artist





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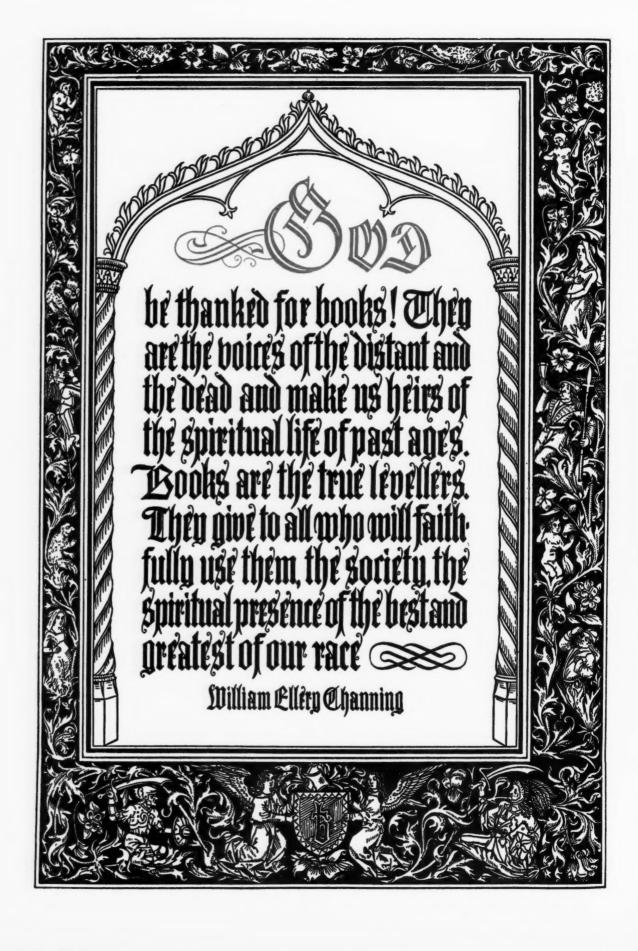
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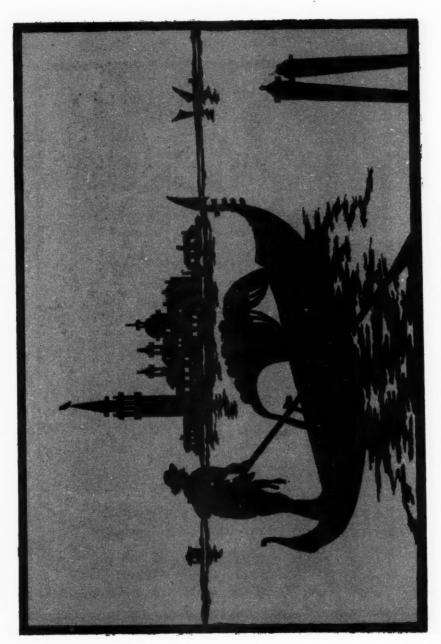


PAPIER DE RIVES

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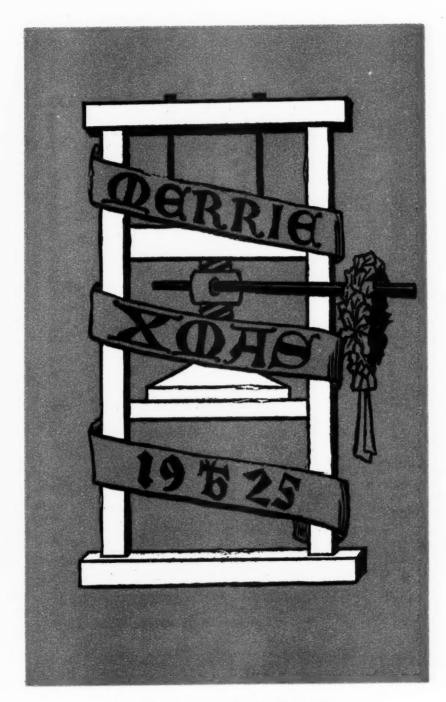




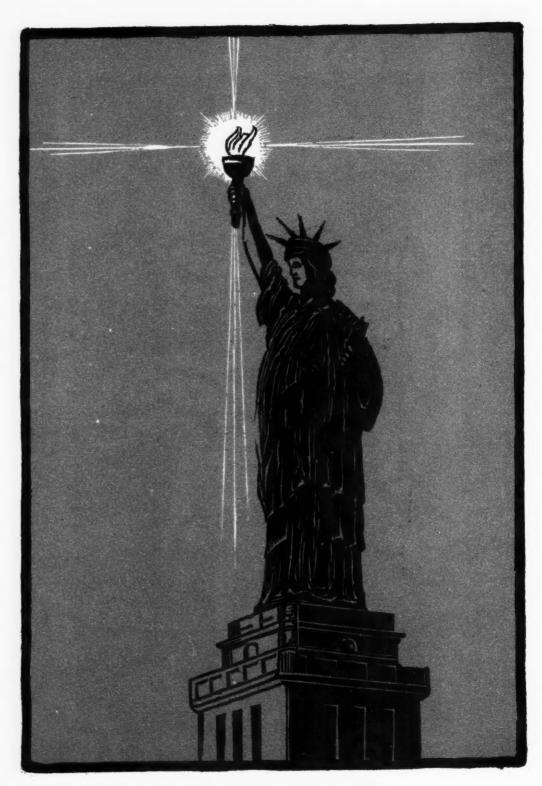
Linoleum blocks by Theodore Berger from halfrone print



Linoleum blocks by Theodore Berger after a French xylograph



Original design and linoleum blocks by Theodore Berger



Linoleum blocks by Theodore Berger from photograph



By J. L. FRAZIER

In this department the problems of job composition will be discussed, and illustrated with numerous examples. These discussions and the examples will be specialized and treated as exhaustively as possible, the examples being criticized on fundamental principles — the basis of all art expression. By this method the printer will develop his taste and skill, not on mere dogmatic assertion, but on recognized and clearly defined laws. Replies can not be made by mail.

Consistency in the Distribution of White Space

The subject of white space and spacing is an extensive one; it subdivides into various phases which may be closely or remotely related. An especially interesting angle of this subject is brought out by the title page of a folder-program submitted by one of our readers, which is reproduced as Fig. 1

consider carefully the spacing between the three major lines of Fig. 1, namely, "Texas Independent," "Oil Men's" and "Association." When these lines are considered by themselves — as can be demonstrated effectively by masking the rest of the page — the spacing between them will be found to be

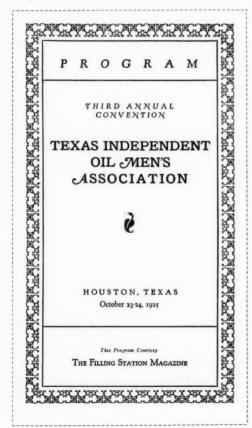


Fig. 1

herewith. The specific point it emphasizes is that white space between groups and lines should bear a relationship to the extent of the white space in the whole form; in short, that where there is ample room inconsistency is apparent if lines in one group are spaced closely together.

For a demonstration of the rule that spacing between lines bears a close relationship to the whole amount of white space,

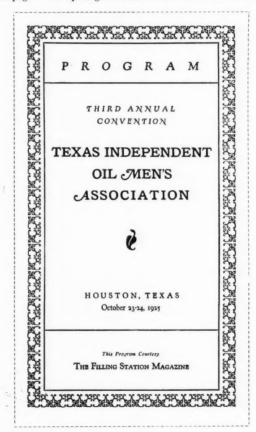


Fig. 2

sufficient. But when the page as a whole is considered, a "huddled" effect in these lines is at once apparent, which proves our point that the amount of space to be placed between display lines should be determined after consideration of the entire available amount of white space.

An open form of this character, therefore, should be consistently open. While there must be modifications of white

space within the form in the interest of emphasis, variety, proportion and interest, variation should not be carried to the point where there is an effect of huddling in one place with extreme openness elsewhere, as in Fig. 1. In text, as, for example, the page of a book or the newspaper column, closely spaced lines are not offensive, because we are accustomed to finding them that way and because, what is more pertinent

The effect of the whole composition is, of course, the important thing. If the cut were to be centered in one or the other respect, without modification, we must disagree with the artist. If this pronounced unit were located as far from the center of the main line and the sheet as it would have to be to center between the two type groups the effect would be worse than as it is — that is, out of center between the two

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Fig. 3

to the present subject, such pages are filled out. The need seems to justify the condition; also, remember, closely spaced lines are in such instances consistent, which, inversely, demonstrates they can not be in an open composition. In a well filled page the lines in question would not appear crowded, even as spaced in Fig. 1. It is possible, furthermore, to conceive of their appearing in a page so closely set—and with so many lines that spacing between those many lines would have to be very close—that the present spacing would appear too wide, proving that the effect of the amount of space is relative. When we get to this point and conceive of spacing as a relative matter—as it is—we clinch the point that space between lines should be consistent with the whole amount of white space.

Fig. 2 is the same form as Fig. 1, only with the lines in question—as well as the two lines directly above, "Third Annual" and "Convention," which are also quite crowded in Fig. 1—opened out a little. No other changes have been made, purposely, the sole object of these slight modifications—with no attempt to go farther—being to demonstrate that the remedy would make the cure. Thus, there is no question as to what brings about the improvement, as would be the case if other changes had been made. As an aside, it is here proper to interject the fact that the major lines, those around which the discussion has occurred, are rather too low, especially in Fig. 2, where the spreading was done only one way—that is, downward. To have placed it properly would have meant other changes, particularly in arrangement, which would perhaps cloud the main point.

Remember, then, line spacing which seems satisfactory or too wide in a closely knit, well filled page will appear too close in an open composition.

Another interesting point pertaining to white space, from a still different angle, is brought to light by the letterhead (Fig. 3) reproduced on this page. It particularly concerns the location of the circular emblem; in the heading as printed and shown, the emblem is centered under the main display line, which is centered on the sheet. This means it is not centered between the two groups of names, because these groups vary considerably as to size. Our correspondent tells us an artist said the device should be in the center of the space between the two groups, therefore, of course, not in the center of the sheet and not centered under the main display line.

groups. The round device and the main display line are the outstanding features and their relationship more than anything else determines the effect of the whole. What should have been done—if such meticulous criticism were to be showered upon this thing—was to have made both groups of more nearly the same size.

Remember, the effect of the thing as a whole is most important. (The end is more important than the means, so to speak.) If it were essential to set the names of officers in larger type than those of the governors, a compromise might have been made. We refer to the possibility of moving the device to the right a little—say, six points—when it would not appear to the casual eye to be out of the center of the sheet and also more nearly in the center of the space between the two groups. Thus, at a sacrifice of exactitude in one respect—which probably would not be noticed—it might be possible to suggest an effect of centering in both instances; and if this suggestion could not be followed in this particular case it might be used in some other that is comparable.

All of which shows how full of interest and opportunity for thought and study is the work of the typographer. If a good one, he is always striving for perfection in trifles, realizing more perhaps than workers in most lines that it is perfection of details that makes the whole thing perfect.

THE ONE-PRICE PRINTER

Some years ago we were accustomed to see the advertisements of merchants stressing their business policy as the "one-price house." We do not see it to any great extent today; the merchant has learned that unless he maintains a one-price house the public will soon learn of it and the most desirable trade will not come to him. In every city the best stores are one-price stores. Printers should profit by the experiences of others and build up a reputation for being one-price printers. With known costs, the right price can readily be determined. Knowing that the price is right, that right price should be given to every one. Occasionally a job may be lost by such a policy, but in the long run it pays and the best trade will gravitate to such a plant. "One price—the right price, and one price to all" is a good, safe slogan. Let's put it into daily practice.—Ben Durr.

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The Value of the Tested Appeal

By Dana Emerson Stetson



RINTING and engraving salesmen have a decided aid in selling in the samples they carry. Few things appeal to the prospect as does the excellent printing of well etched plates. Thoughtfully planned typography and master presswork arouse the admiration of even the most uninformed member of the laity. Daily the position occupied

by the graphic arts commands more and more respect. That the terment commonly known as appeal is not defined easily. We seek it in the art museum as well as in the color proofs produced in the modern pressroom. All advertising art must be imbued with the mysterious and elusive element. A printing salesman may spend a whole year calling upon a prospect and placing before him specimens of commendable typographical treatment. He may produce fine booklets and mailing pieces, flawless in their mechanical preparation, yet he may fail to do business with his prospect. The "tested" appeal, the appeal men look for instinctively, is lacking, and even creditable salesmanship fails to accomplish its objective.

It is a comparatively easy task to create good examples of printing, but it is real work to produce a mailing piece that will sell goods. The samples carried by the printing salesman, therefore, should illustrate not only the work of the master craftsman, but the efficacy of a tried advertising appeal. Printing is an art. The printer is a real artist. Art is his heritage. The printer, however, should not feel that his business has been literally forced into the path of commercialism. True, we have examples of lower standards and desecration of the masters in every art: music, painting, literature and the others.

The veritable crux of the matter is that modern direct-mail advertising is exacting the best of the artist, the printer. Direct-mail advertising educates the masses, brings to them new interests in their existence, and makes life truly worth living. Direct-mail advertising of today occupies a high plane and offers to the printer opportunities for the greater development of a worthy craft, opportunities to which he is entitled.

A printing salesman, visiting a glove manufacturer regularly, found himself confronted with the problem of effective pictorial presentation. The prospect had done very little direct-mail advertising, and had not devoted much time and thought to the drawings and plates made for use in his catalogues and folders. Line drawings had been used largely, but these lacked the finesse so helpful in the advertising of such a product. Photographs had been used with fairly good results, but these, too, failed to bring out the necessary detail with sufficient vividness. The salesman gave considerable attention to this problem. The drawings and photographs, as illustrations, did not warrant criticism. They were excellent examples of the work of the artist and the photographer, but advertising appeal seemed absent. The features which hasten the favorable decision of the prospective buyer were not embodied in the reproductions.

Taking his problem to a commercial illustrator who specialized in fine air-brush work the salesman placed samples of the glove lines before him. He explained carefully the suggestions he wished to convey to readers of the finished mailing piece. Drawings were executed according to instructions, in which the fine grain of the kidskin used in the manufacture stood out clearly, and at the same time the idea of soft and velvety "feel" which the manufacturer wished to accentuate was conveyed. Upon reproduction of the drawings, the improvement in pictorial presentation was pronounced. The

glove manufacturer was pleased immeasurably. A direct-mail campaign was prepared and the results surpassed those obtained from previous direct-mail advertising. Later on this same printing salesman utilized air-brushed drawings in a direct-mail campaign for a sporting-goods house, applying his theory successfully in the depicting of footballs, basketballs and other products manufactured from leather.

Another salesman who was calling upon the manager of a department store pointed out an effective remedy for difficulties encountered in the direct-mail advertising of bathing suits. The policy of the management had been to use photographs for purposes of illustration, and much trouble had been experienced in making panchromatic negatives for color separation and in reproducing duotones from the prints. The simple expedient of well laid Ben Day screens solved the problem and improved the appearance of the mailing pieces.

A manufacturer of lighting fixtures desired to issue a folder featuring wrought-iron bridge lamps, and several attractive color sketches were submitted to him. The manufacturer complained that his product was not given enough prominence; as pictured with other pieces of furniture the bridge lamp lacked individuality. There was nothing to lend it qualities radically different from those of the other articles shown. A dummy for a folder with a cutout cover was prepared, the cover representing the glass-paneled door of a living room. The died-out portions suggested the glass panels. By clever color effects, the bridge lamp was shown diffusing its soft rays invitingly through the panels of the door and upon the corner of a table prepared for card playing. Upon being opened, the folder illustrated the correct place for the bridge lamp in the well appointed living room. Its effectiveness lav in the instant appeal of the cover. The finished mailing piece, sent to a group of carefully selected prospects, secured good results.

The tested appeal, then, stands as one of the most adequate selling arguments the printing salesman can advance. A mailing piece which has actually brought good results for some advertiser will carry infinitely greater weight with a prospect than will a fine specimen of printing which has achieved nothing. Here, also, is another reason why the printing salesman should strive whole heartedly to produce really worth-while ideas for direct-mail advertising campaigns. The more ideas he creates and sells successfully, the greater his chances for securing more business.

There is always room at the top for the salesman who can prove the value of the tested appeal. He can command the respect of direct-mail advertisers, and his opinion will be sought in the solution of some of the many problems that arise daily in the direct-mail field. Using as a background the campaigns he has developed successfully, he will soon find that selling is a far more pleasant occupation than he had perhaps previously conceived. Make the most, then, of the tested appeal. If you do not carry one in your sample kit, create one. It will be the "Open Sesame" to future business.

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Jones says that the proofreader who insists upon reading two columns of proof at once should have been born twins.

Jones says that every printer longs for a whale of a business, with no waste-barrel Jonah.

Jones says that a plethora of errors in the finished work soon means a paucity of customers.

Jones says that the printer who succeeds in caulking his business leaks is a corking good business man.

The Typography of Advertisements

By A. RAYMOND HOPPER



AVING permitted me so much space in the October issue of The Inland Printer, to set forth certain somewhat new principles of typography, your editor now asks me to take my own medicine—a thing not reasonably to be expected of any doctor or preacher. I realize that such a course may have rather uncomfortable conse-

quences — to myself. There are but two ways in which I could comply with his request: first, to show the proper way, in my opinion, to apply these principles; second, by showing how others have erred in their management of situations, though I may thereby incite the just wrath of the victims. If I can find in the work of others an application of the principles I dreamt about in my last talk with you, perhaps I can meet the commendable "show-me" of your editor and yet avoid a quarrel with any for criticism.

In my work in a large New York advertising agency I often meet the question, "Is this publication a good one?" It is a simple question, but not always so easy to answer. A publication may be a very good advertising medium, yet not the best one, or even a good one, for the advertiser to use at that time; or it might not be the most patronized medium and yet be best as the next step.

It is not hard to conceive of cases where it would be a mistake to set an advertisement in a type face that would express the chief idea of that piece of copy. In a series of advertisements more might be lost from the purpose of individuality, character and continuity than would be gained by the expression of single ideas. But even there some central thought undoubtedly underlies the whole series, which could well be made the governing factor in the choice of the type to be used throughout. Here is an example:

Just one hundred years ago, in a little New England village, a man started a small business of making carpets, which has grown to be the present Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Company. A lot of things have happened in the world during that hundred years. It is such a long time that few people are capable of comprehending it. But the carpets and rugs this company now produces are an heritage of all that a century includes; they have been a hundred years in the making, and the business acumen of several generations sharpening the sturdy pioneer spirit of inventors and craftsmen is inwrought in the present activities of the company. So when I wrote a series of six advertisements to help visualize the significance of the development of the ages on Bigelow-Hartford fabrics, to express the spirit of the background I chose Cloister Old Style, rather than any other type faces which might have better suited the individual advertisements. At the same time, the desire for a characteristic setting for all six pieces also was met.

The two automobile advertisements present a different sort of problem. There is no "automobile type." If there were, all car announcements would have to be set the same, and instead of expression we really would have repression, or submersion, or standardization, which is death to individuality. The text of the Studebaker ad. emphasizes "distinctive appearance," amplitude, richness, brilliance and smartness, the two last implying beauty. It will be seen that the selection of Goudy Bold is thoroughly consistent, being expressive of the same qualities or ideas as the text. The one unfortunate note is in the first line of the heading being set in Cloister Bold italic instead of Goudy Bold italic. While these often are combined, their "personalities" are so different that they

rarely are good fellows, except for their almost equal weight or color. The keynote of the Moon advertisement is different from that of the previous one. Here the argument is on efficiency, talking mechanical details, and the style of the copy is crisp. At first glance many might think there was little difference in general appearance between Goudy Bold and New Caslon—only a little more freedom in the drawing of the serifs, perhaps. But whatever difference there is — and it is quite pronounced when you come to examine closely—constitutes just that difference in type personalities that you



One of a series of ads. of the Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Company set in Cloister Old Style.

discern in people's, even when you can not tell just what makes it. New Caslon was an excellent selection for this Moon copy, but the Goudy Bold headlines were a mistake, being suggestive of neither revolution nor mechanical design. Even from the standpoint of simplicity in typography, a New Caslon heading would have gone better with the text of the same type face.

So, among five cars, one may be advertised as the most beautiful car in America, a second for setting the vogue for its smart style, a third for its abundant resources in power, economy and reliability, the fourth for a rare degree of saving service, and a wonderful ease of riding and driving, and the last may look like a heavy-weight, large and sturdy, with talk of operation, endurance and unusual capacity for performance. The type faces most appropriate to each of these, respectively, probably would be Goudy Old Style for the first, Goudy or Caslon Old Style or Bodoni for the second, the third in Scotch Roman or New Caslon, Bookman Old Style for the fourth, and for the fifth New Caslon, Scotch Roman, or even Caslon Bold, all three being so "capable" in spirit.

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There is a wall covering with qualities claimed to make it very superior to the wall-paper we all have been so accustomed to. It is made on cloth, with a surface of oil colors that can be wiped clean with a damp cloth. The patterns are as beautiful as wall-paper ever was, and as the cloth back prevents cracking, tearing, peeling, blistering or fading, they remain beautiful for years. Cleanliness, sanitation, permanent beauty, strength in the sense of enduring support rather than active power, purity of form, color and surface - these are the things to be expressed in advertising Sanitas modern wall covering. And the type face selected for setting its advertisements does express them — the ubiquitous, ever-popular, graceful, refined, well balanced, virtuous and clean-minded Caslon Old Style. Can you find fault with it? Can you suggest anything more appropriate? I can not. Beside all of which there is the feminine appeal both in the nature of Sanitas wall covering and of Caslon type.

Now let me take the negative side with a few examples, perilous though the trip may be. Whoever chose Kennerley, pretty, dainty, innocent Kennerley, to express the durability and sturdiness of Mirro aluminum ware committed a woeful error. Cloister Old Style would have been so much better. The very name, Mirro, suggests the brightness and cleanness, the spick-and-spanness that we sense in Bodoni. The artist who devised the trade name got this. His lettering is almost that of Bodoni caps. set aslant. Truly, Goudy Bold expresses beauty, and this ware is beautiful, but Goudy's beauty is not that of pots and pans.

The copy-writer responsible for the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company advertisement has produced a very convincing piece of text on the strength, stability and dependability of the company and the idea of independence for the individual. But these are just the qualities that Caslon Old Style does not express, and that Bookman Old Style or Goudy Bold does. If a sense of efficiency in the businesslike management of one's personal affairs as administered for the family good is the point of emphasis, Scotch Roman or New Caslon would be just the thing.

We get so in the habit of using Caslon Old Style for everything. When in haste or doubt Caslon seems to be regarded as a jack-of-all-trades, a typographical scapegoat. Some printer expressed the popular notion of Caslon when he said, "If you can't set it in Caslon, you can't set it in anything." Of course, a good looking job can be made in Caslon, that will be unoffending, innocuous, impersonal and still be chaste and tasteful. So an artist might paint a blacksmith at his forge, in pastels or water colors, but I can't help thinking that the subject calls for oils with plenty of heavy or glowing color. Caslon is a beautiful face of wonderful adaptability, but it isn't a panacea for all that ails typography. Bishop Berkeley recommended tar-water as a universal specific, but he has few followers now. Let's be wiser in our generation and not abuse the usefulness of Caslon by overworking it.

Would you select a woman, or a man with distinctively feminine characteristics, to sell factory heating equipment, sprinkler systems and pipe fittings? The Grinnell Company's







advertising always interests me. The copy is sincere in tone, convincing, the reported conversations natural and the arguments logical. Three solid columns of ten-point will hold my attention to the very signature. Yet, when they are set in Caslon Old Style I sense a jarring note, as if in the midst of a group of consulting engineers, architects, the company's president and the chairman of the board, a tastefully dressed young lady of evident refinement suddenly entered and began to propound the subtleties of an abstruse problem in factory management. In the example before us the idea of Cloister italics for the headline is not so bad, though the roman would have appeared better able to stand up and talk. In a tight, three-cornered business argument it is better strategy to stand up on two feet than to loll against the door-jamb. But there is a matter-of-factness, businesslike, common-sense alertness to Scotch Roman that makes me feel it would have been an ideal choice in which to have set this Grinnell piece.

Now, hasn't this been enough? Have I made my case? Some who can see will say "Yes"; others who can not will say "No."

And thereby each will show his own temperament, not to be condemned or unnecessarily commended, in either case, but both unmistakably manifesting just that difference in minds that I sense in type faces.

As with Wordsworth's Peter Bell,

A primrose by a river's brim, A yellow primrose was to him, And it was nothing more.

So, if all you can see in type is a vehicle for reproducing ideas, we may read with interest the words you set down, whatever type face you use, if it isn't too hard on the eyes. But we will not read or realize the heart-message behind the words you print, because the face tells not it but often something quite different.

Luminous Printing Inks

By ROBERT F. SALADE



UMINOUS compositions in the form of printing ink are comparatively new and offer the typographic printer opportunities to produce various novelties, including illuminated greeting cards, menu cards (to be used in a semidark banquet room), etc. Special inks of this kind, made in various colors, are being supplied by F.

Harrison Glew, a London firm, and it may be that some of the United States printing-ink concerns are in a position to manufacture similar compositions.

The idea of luminous printing inks of various colors came, no doubt, from the successful use of luminous paints which for some years have been applied to clock and watch dials, airplane instruments and similar lines. The luminous paints are made in numerous colors, including blue, white, violet, gray, bright green, yellow-green, silver-gray, yellow and orange. The paint is applied to "outline" printed detail on clock dials, watch dials, etc., by trained girls working with brushes. But there is no reason why the same class of work can not be done with special luminous printing inks on a printing press; in fact such printing is already being done to a limited extent.

It remains for progressive printers to develop new things in the way of printed matter produced with luminous inks. The following notes will show how this can be done: One printer recently originated a series of religious pictures of the kind appropriate for framing. These were produced by the four-color process, but the plates were made in such a way as to allow for an additional printing in luminous ink. For example, one of the pictorial subjects incorporated a Latin cross, and in the final printing this cross was covered with blue luminous ink. At the foot of each subject was a printed line, "Take this picture into a dark room and see the unusual color Quantities of the cards were sold to dealers in religious articles, Sunday schools, and to various religious organizations. This printer also originated a series of pictorial wall calendars which could be distributed by churches to advantage. Sections of the pictures were finished in luminous ink in different colors, and when the calendars were placed in a dark room the color effects of the phosphorescent printing were highly pleasing. On each calendar appeared: "The picture on this calendar will become self-luminous in a dark room."

In every case where a greeting card, religious picture, calendar, advertising novelty, or anything else, is illuminated with

luminous ink, the subject should include a printed line explaining that it should be placed in a dark room to reveal its unusual color effect.

Luminous inks, of various colors, printed in combination with regular colored printing inks, offer wonderful possibilities in the production of pictorial greeting cards. The luminous ink can be made to replace the old-fashioned "diamond dust," mica, "gold dust," etc., which adorned the Christmas cards of some few years ago. A "snow-scene" picture could be made truly artistic with the correct application of luminous ink, and when such a picture would be seen in semidarkness the color effect would be particularly beautiful. Other interesting subjects which come to mind are: A church at night-time, the stained glass windows glowing with color; a boat on water during a moonlit evening; the "white way" of a city, taken at night, showing the lights and reflections from them; a night scene of a great ocean liner at sea with the portholes and lights of the vessel.

Menu cards and folders, to be distributed at banquets or dinners, can be made to have special souvenir value by the application of luminous ink to pictorial subjects. There is opportunity here for the artistic printer to sell hotels and high-class restaurants on this menu idea.

HIGH MORTALITY IN SHOWCARDS

A southern manufacturer, writing in a trade journal of recent date, complains of the number of showcards which never go on display, writes C. Mack in *Ink*. He complains that storekeepers use the reverse or blank side for their own ticket writing. Wandering into a suburban store, he saw his showcards (printed in five colors and a most elaborate production) nailed to a box of eggs with "Fresh eggs 34 cents a dozen" lettered on the reverse side. It is difficult to suggest a remedy for this state of affairs, but one manufacturer of my knowledge prints his design on both sides of the card, and when this is impracticable he prints the house slogan in the vacant space. The only real remedy seems to lie in cultivating sense of what constitutes a fair deal to the manufacturer who is endeavoring to help the retailer make sales.

One manufacturer provides his salesmen with a paste pot and a brush, and a hammer and tacks. The salesman requests permission to put up a window sticker or a showcard, and the advertising matter goes into position right away. 25

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By ROBERT E. RAMSAY

Author "Effective House-Organs," "Effective Direct Advertising" and "Constructive Merchandising."

This department takes up the subject of effective direct advertising for printers, both in connection with the sale of their product, and in planning direct advertising for their clients. It is not a "review" of specimens, nor does it treat of direct advertising from that standpoint. Printers are urged to send in specimens of direct advertising prepared for themselves or their clients, in order that they may be used to demonstrate principles.

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Planning Direct Advertising in Notion and Novelty Fields

Notions are of many kinds. Our list informs us that there are no less than 29,811 concerns who may be classified as being a part of the notion, novelty, etc., industry or field, a prospect for every printer, in other words. This reminds me that this is an appropriate place to interrupt our series long enough to discuss some of the different types of notions having a bearing on the printing business, especially that portion actively engaged in producing direct advertising, or even seriously considering that step.

"We'll try it for a month or two and see what happens." That is one type of notion that spells disaster for many direct-advertising plans. Or, "Let's get out a house-organ for a couple of issues, and if it pays we will keep it up," is another deadly notion. Now and then a prospect will come to you with this type of notion: "We are considering doing some direct advertising. We want you to get up one or two booklets, folders, letters. [Prospects of this type always tell you what physical classification you are to use before they tell you what mental impression they wish to make.] Then if they prove all right, we will keep on. We want to start in a small way and then if the results are all right we will make the sky the limit."

Now and then a spasmodic sales-promotion appeal will prove successful, due to any one of a variety of circumstances.

In general, however, such attempts are abortive. Unless what you have to offer has one of those three keys to mail-order success, novelty, quality or price, in unusual degree, the chances are against you. Think of a concern seriously considering hiring a salesman and saying to that salesman: "Suppose you take our sample kit here and go out and make one or two calls, and then as your sales results increase we will increase the number of calls you may make, so that eventually the sky will be the limit." Do you suppose that salesman would try it on that basis? Not very often; and the fact that he would not try it does not argue he is not certain of sales ability. The salesman realizes that neither Rome nor a good volume of sales was built in a day. He realizes that it takes time to impress some prospects on certain products. He knows little about the concern or its goods, and so would not want to risk his sales reputation on one or two chance calls. In short, the salesman and direct advertising are in the same position; a plan is more important than a single effort.

If more printers would say to prospects who talk in these positive terms: "We will not accept the business on any such spasmodic basis," then, as a whole, direct advertising would move up into the higher plane with other mediums.

An example in point is a broadside recently received from MacDonald, Acton & Young, who style their business as



Fig. 1,--The cover and typical inside pages of the booklet used as the "hub of the wheel" in an effective campaign of direct advertising to notion retailers.

"Producers of Printing That Is Direct-Mail Advertising," and who are located in Philadelphia. This broadside drives home to their prospects the notion that spasmodic direct advertising is not the thing. There is reproduced, in facsimile, a letter from one of their customers, C. S. Garrett & Son Corporation, who sell building and roofing papers.

This letter reads, in part:

You started advertising our Raw-Hide waterproof papers about eighteen months ago. In checking up on our sales of Raw-Hide over this period we find at the end of the first six months there was practically no increase in sales over any like period of time. Over the next twelve months we find our sales of Raw-Hide were about forty per cent greater than the previous twelve months. During this time we did practically no advertising except through your company, so we really believe you are entitled to credit for the increased business.

Get that: For the first six months of their advertising there was no increase, but in the next twelve months an increase of forty per cent. Where would MacDonald, Acton & Young have been if they had accepted a spasmodic order for, say, even six months? The case is typical of many, and the producer's own comment in the first paragraph of their broadside deserves wider dissemination here:

An advertising sermon of vital importance to business men is contained in the Garrett letter. We reprint it not only because it tells of the splendid results of the direct-mail advertising we are producing for them, but also because it drives home the fact known to all successful advertisers, that to get results you must advertise persistently.

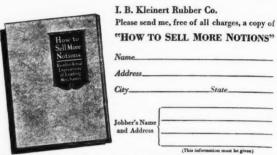
And now for notions of another type. We shall discuss one campaign in its entirety, as it serves to point out several principles. That campaign was the 1925 direct-advertising campaign of the I. B. Kleinert Rubber Company, New York city, aimed at retailers of notions. As Robert Ruxton so frequently drove home in the American Writing Paper Company series of twenty-four lessons, this particular campaign was "built about a booklet."

Fig. 1 illustrates the cover and typical inside pages of this booklet, which was entitled "How to Sell More Notions," and carried the subtitle "Based on Actual Experiences of Leading Merchants." The first page is a foreword signed by Ralph K. Guinzburg, advertising manager. Chapter III. points out that the first principle of merchandising is "The Selection

of the Notions," and Chapter IV. shows that the "Location of the Department" and the "Selection of the Merchandise for It" form the second principle. At the conclusion we find some interesting facts regarding "What the Kleinert Questionnaire Proves."

The book in its original is $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide by 11 inches deep, two-color cover, the panel in red, the overprint of the title in deep black. The paper of the cover is a goldenrod color. The text is one color, black throughout, set in two columns in many cases, though some pages give us the rather long line of 7 inches in eight-point type. Fig. 1 indicates the unique treatment of chapter numbers and titles, from a typographic standpoint.

The booklet is a real service manual. Miss Marie Cary, who had been doing a series of articles for *Dry Goods Economist*, specializing on notions, developed the major part of it. To this were added three articles by Arthur H. Brayton, editor



I am not carrying the Kleinert's Line and would like full details and prices.

Fig. 2.—Playing up the "free booklet," one of the ways to speed up inquiries, as utilized in the I. B. Kleinert Rubber Company campaign described in this issue.

of *Dry Goods Economist*. Andrew J. Haire, publisher of the *Notion and Novelty Review*, constructively criticized the finished job. Here, then, was a book that was not just a catalogue; in fact, it was not a catalogue at all. It was something that would serve those who would use it.

Obviously it would have been poor strategy to have broadcasted the book to all notion retailers. Here is a principle that can be followed in every line of business—as a general



Fig. 3.—The first page of each of three printed appeals in a campaign to the notion field which produced nearly forty per cent inquiries, as Mr. Ramsay explains in this article.

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rule a book of real service should be offered instead of being broadcasted. In other words, those in whose hands you wish to have it placed should be urged, yes, even assisted, to ask for it, but they should not receive it unless they will so ask. (Parenthetically, now and then a small interest-arousing booklet may be broadcasted as a means to getting inquiries for a larger and more serviceable booklet.)

"What is worth having is worth asking for," was the basic approach to this problem on the part of the Federal Advertising Agency, who handled the general advertising of the Kleinert account.

Briefly, the aim of the campaign was to find ways and means of making as many as possible of the twenty-odd thousand notion retailers ask for this valuable manual. The Federal

This is to be mers the rederal to the property of a down to the property of an intensive campaign now being mailed to practically every retail merchant selling notions in the smaller cities and towns throughout the United States. And the new KLEINERT'S magazine advertising is being read by millions of women. By this means we are building good-will and interest for KLEINERT'S line—which means more business for you.

Show this to your salesmen—tell them to get behind our effort—and see that your KLEINERT'S stock is in good shape to meet the increased demand.

I. B. KLEINERT RUBBER CO., 485 Fifth Avenue, New York

Fig. 4.—The announcement slip which advised jobbers of the current activity in the campaign illustrated in Figs. 2, 3 and 5.

agency had in this work the coöperation of James F. Newcomb & Co., Incorporated, specialists in direct advertising, as well as of course the advertiser's own department and the trade journals, as previously outlined.

After an analysis of the problem, a study of what direct and indirect competitors had done in this field, taking into consideration the need for developing as many inquiries as possible for "How to Sell More Notions," the campaign was first outlined as one wherein some form of letter would be utilized in every appeal. Naturally it was early decided that a booklet reproduced on the return postal card would likely increase returns, and this was carried out on all return cards, as Fig. 2

A five-piece campaign was planned. Nos. 1, 2 and 4 were fixed as four-page letter size (11 by 17 inches folded to $8\frac{1}{2}$ by

11 inches), while No. 3 is the so-called "giant letter" thought, measuring 12½ by 19 inches, four pages.

Fig. 3 illustrates the first pages of three of the appeals. Though it is obviously not a letter, note that an approach to the letter form has been carried out on every one of these. No. 1 illustrates at the top of sheet a typical notion department of a large store.

The inside spread of the first piece is captioned: "A Kleinert's Counter Counts Up Profits for Your Store Every Day!" The covers of the publications carrying Kleinert's advertising are reproduced, selling argument to the retailer as to asking his jobber's salesman to show the full line, etc., also a reproduction of a cover of the manual.

No. 2 we find the format changed, as well as the color scheme. Here we have green and black, where No. 1 was orange and black. Observe the care in planning. Here we find the picture is of what might well be a comparatively small notion store. On the third page of this unit we find a novelty. It is a whole page reproducing via the Simplex process in actual colors samples of the many Kleinert products. The second page is captioned: "Kleinert's: a Name That Spells Profit for You!" Again the manual cover is displayed, this time in colors, and a bold subhead, "A Book That's Worth Thousands to You!"

The giant letter (No. 3 in the series) has what are obviously women's footprints walking across the sheet of paper, and the strong caption states:

TURN THESE FOOTSTEPS INTO PROFITS!

Under that, in letter form, set in typewriter type and enlarged to size, we read this message:

Dear Sir:

If a hundred women pass your store without coming in it means a hundred lost sales for you.

For every woman in your town buys notions, and if your notion department is the kind that attracts women you can get them into your store — not only to buy notions but other things as well.

You can make your notion department the drawing magnet for all the notion business from your present customers and besides attract many new customers who now go elsewhere to buy.

How can you do it?

Turn this page — and learn how you can turn passing footsteps into profit!

The broadside bears down hard on the free manual, the main head reading: Here's the Book That Shows You How You Can Turn Passing Footsteps Into Your Store. The base line reads: "The Book Is Free — Send for It Today — Use the Post Card."

The fourth brings us a close-up of the manual on a background of line drawings. The main caption says: This Book Will Show You How to Make More Money Out of Notions.

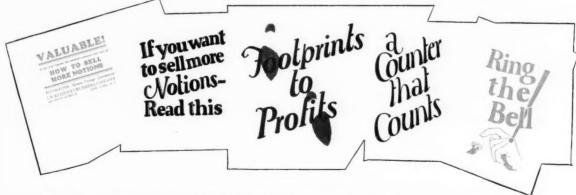


Fig. 5.—The "carry through" principle is illustrated here, for you see the display portions of the envelopes which carried each of the pieces used in this campaign.

Here, then, is the campaign, the fifth piece being a "clean-up" letter appeal, first-class postage, according to the original plan, and it went to some 20,000 notion retailers. The Inland Printer is in receipt of a letter from the advertiser, I. B. Kleinert Rubber Company, stating: "We sent out 20,000 circulars and received 8,000 requests for the book." Approximately forty per cent returns. Why? Because it was a completely planned campaign, making use of the basic principle that the more nearly you approach the letter form the better chance of inquiry, mailed to a correct list, with a series of releases planned in advance of the getting ready of the first piece — all built about the booklet.

Nor was the jobber overlooked in this drive either. Fig. 4 shows the type of announcement slip pasted to each of the units when they were sent to jobbers, and in addition to this jobbers were furnished with a portfolio containing samples of each piece, complete, including envelopes, postal cards and the tip-ons.

Fig. 5 shows how the dominant thought of the different units was carried out on the envelopes.

You may not have a campaign to go to the notion field; you may not be seeking inquiries. In either event, though, you will find food for thought in this typical campaign. First, assuming you do seek inquiries, it points out ways and means. It shows the right way to plan a booklet that people will want to ask for and, having asked for it, feel they have received something for their trouble.

Second, if it is not inquiries you seek, the same principles apply:

Be sure to make valuable in the eyes of the reader whatever article it is that you wish to sell to him.

THE RED STAMP VERSUS THE GREEN

Before the Detroit Adcraft Club recently Glenn Muffly in a talk on direct advertising, according to Young & McCallister's Needle, asked and answered the question "Which pays best, first or third class postage?" Mr. Muffly has made extensive tests in all his direct advertising work, and his statements are based upon the results of these tests. He says:

Like many other questions, this is best answered by an actual test on the campaign under consideration, but I have found some facts running true to form throughout all of my tests.

Two red stamps will pull more replies than one red stamp. A four-cent stamp pulls fewer replies than a two-cent stamp. If you must put on four cents, use two red stamps. The one-cent stamp pulls less than either the two or the four, but considerably more than the printed permit and a little more than the pre-cancelled one-cent stamp. There is no excuse for using two green stamps—one red one is much better.

This is the order of effectiveness, not necessarily the order of efficiency. You always get more replies by using first-class mail, but not always enough more to pay the additional cost.

You must figure up the sales cost both ways on each particular campaign in order to answer the question of first versus third class mail in your own case. Do not forget, however, that a slightly higher sales cost is sometimes overbalanced by a higher percentage of sales and therefore a higher saturation point. If the cost per sale is exactly the same with first and third class postage it will pay to use first class, on account of the higher total profit from a given number of names on your list.

Then Mr. Muffly gave the results of testing copy and postage at the same time.

The following chart is a tally such as I have made many times in different lines of business, testing two or more pieces of copy and at the same time determining what postage combination is most efficient for the campaign under consideration. The results may be depended upon so long as you keep all other variables out of the plan. You are very apt to go wrong if you carry the results of one test over into another line of business.

COPY	MAILED	MAILED FIRST-CLASS		MAILED THIRD-CLASS	
	Return Stamp	No Return Stamp	Return Stamp	No Return Stamp	
No. 1	14	10	11	8	43
No. 2	12	6	12	7	37
No. 3	21	21	14	10	66
No. 4	7	11	6	5	29
No. 5	42	22	26	18	108
No. 6	18	8	12	10	48
Totals	114	78	81	58	331

With six pieces of copy to test and the four stamp combinations (first and third class, with and without return stamps) we have twenty-four blocks on our chart, and the list must be split into some multiple of twenty-four sections.

Needless to say, the entire six pieces of copy and the four postage combinations must be mailed on the same day to make this test of any value. You must not introduce the variable of time, Comparisons of the totals will show which copy and which postage combination will pay best on the larger mailings to follow.

It is not at all unusual to see one piece of copy pull three or four times as many replies as another. I would never think of mailing a million or two letters without making some test of this sort.

TWO COLORS INSTEAD OF ONE

"Old lamps for new," as Aladdin shouted as he trudged through the fairy streets of our childhood days. "Two blades of grass where but one grew before," as the modern inspirational writer hands it out. And now we capitalize on Bill Eynon's money-making suggestion and say "two colors where but one was used before." Aladdin was a fairy tale; two blades of grass instead of one is a mighty hard accomplishment these cold days; but two colors instead of one is a real practical possibility. You are doing your customer a service when you suggest two colors, or more, where the job can appropriately be printed in two or more colors, and this is often the case. Colors catch the eye. Observe the riot of colors in milady's glad rags. A group of young ones (and these days they are all young) going down the street looks like a variegated flower display. Easy on the eyes; pleasant to look at. Plain black and white printing is all right for office forms and certain other classes of work, but letterheads, envelopes, booklets, circulars and everything that a business man puts before his customers and prospects goes over much more effectively if dressed up in colors, observing, of course, the proper taste in using them. Often a little dash of color, however small, sets off a job amazingly. You owe it to your customers to suggest the use of color where you know it will improve the job. Two colors mean double presswork, and wouldn't it be a grand and glorious feeling to have right now double the amount of presswork in your shop? - Ben Durr.

THE WAYS OF GENUINE SERVICE

There are printers in any large printing center, such as San Francisco, who are sent for because they have a genuine service to offer. These printers never advise sulphite bond when Old Hampshire or Strathmore is more appropriate; machine composition to save the cost of work that properly should be hand-set; running a piece of printed matter in one color where two or more are better. The reason they are recognized as being in a class by themselves is because they have a standard below which they would never consciously allow themselves to go. They have discovered the truth that it is easier to sell what ought to be done rather than to deceive a customer into paying for something that is not best suited to his requirements. Fine printing does not exist in the mind of one who stoops to offer something merely because it costs less.— San Francisco Printer.

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By J. L. FRAZIER

Under this head will be briefly reviewed specimens of printing sent in for criticism. Literature submitted for this purpose should be marked "For Criticism." and directed to The Inland Printer Company, Chicago. Specimens should be mailed flat, not rolled. Replies can not be made by mail.

Melbourne Printers Overseers Association, Melbourne, Australia.— Except for the fact that the illustration and poem on the inside of the front cover are placed too low, the program menu for your annual dinner is excellent. It is very interesting in appearance, and the presswork is the

I. L. WIMBERLEY, Jackson, Mississippi.—The work submitted is not bad, yet by no means high

weak. The "value" of all colors in a form should be the same; where the color is relatively light the items printed in it should be relatively heavier. There should not be the effect of one color being heavier than another, in which respect the colors of this folder are badly out of gear.

JOHN SINGLE PAPER COMPANY, Syracuse, New York.—The blotter, "What Sort of an Impression Does Your Printed Matter Create?" is clean and

decidedly effective, due to a very large extent to the chaste typography and liberal white space.

John Roberts Press, Limited, London, Eng-

JOHN ROBERTS PRESS, LIMITED, LONGON, England.—The program-booklet for your Third Annual Outing is very satisfactory, although hardly high grade. The cover design in gold over a deep blue panel on white stock is effective, though the design is placed rather too high on the page. Take one cover and cut out this panel. Then try moving it



ROBERT G. MARSHALL LETTER CO.

431 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET *** CHICAGO

Telephone WABASH 8922

The Dersonal Word

Spicy-looking letterhead design in which the slogan line, "The personal word," is given appropriate character through its simulating handwriting. By Robert G. Marshall Letter Company, Chicago.

grade. The types are not of the better grade, which is the first and most important fault with the typography, but you express a tendency to use ornaments more than we consider is desirable, especially rules in an ornamental way, in underscoring and as cutoffs. White space makes a better division than rules, all things considered, and it is foolish to emphasize lines by underscoring that already stand out above all others in a design. We consider the group titled "Art" on the blotter about your equipment of automatic machinery should have been set in the form of a rectangle to conform with the shape of the panel in which it appears. The whiting out of this panel is very poorly proportioned and of unpleasing shape, while the band of linear border, the rule in red and the the band of linear border, the rule in red and the "ding-bats" at the end of the line in question clutter up and disfigure that portion of the form. clutter up and disfigure that portion of the form. White space would have been far neater and far more effective from a display standpoint as well. If the body matter of the blotter, "Printing," at the top of which your card is placed at an angle, were in roman instead of italic and were printed in a color that would afford a better contrast against the blue stock than the brown used—thereby improving both the appearance and legibility—that piece would be good. You will notice that only two colors are used on it and that the ornamental features are modest in character and that only two colors are used on it and that the ornamental features are modest in character and extent, and that they do not dominate. One can easily use too many colors, which in effect is too much ornament, and the fact that the blotter last referred to is in only two colors and the effect not spotty and diffused—as it is in consequence of the distribution of the colors in some of the others—is another mark of its superiority. Made-up initials, like that of the blotter "Performance," are not nearly so pleasing or effective as a plain letter of proper size would be. In making up decorative initials from type, rules and ornaments failure results ninety times out of a hundred. Colors are badly used on the folder, "A Chat With You." The red is too deep and of a purplish cast; the effect would be better if it inclined toward orange, effect would be better if it inclined toward orange. while the brown used for the illustrations is too

THE HARBOR PRESS, INC. · TYPOGRAPHERS AND · PRINTERS OF FINE BOOKS



Today, more than ever before, there is a growing demand for privately printed books. With this thought in mind, Roland A. Wood & John S. Fass have organized the The Harbor Press for the production of such books; together with a complete typographic service for the compo-

First page of dignified and characterful announcement folder, the body of which is in Original Old Style Italics. Hand-made toned laid stock with deckle edges, in connection with the characterful types, creates an impressive and uncommon appearance. By the Harbor Press, New York city.

down the page on the blank back cover and you will find it looks best about half or three-quarters of an inch lower than where you printed it. The or an inch lower than where you printed it. In even mess of spacing the groups of the title page makes it appear monotonous; italic, furthermore, should not be used wholly in capitals as they are on this page. One should avoid equality of spacing between groups and should strive for pleasing inequality, which means variety, interest and—if done right—good proportion. The center spread containing the "Menu" and "Toasts" pages is

containing the "Menu" and "Toasts" pages is excellent, the effect being dignified and pleasing.

Herald Printing Company, Marshalltown, Iowa.— As work of the kind goes, your program and prize booklet for the Fair is satisfactory; in fact, better than average. There is a rather discontinuous containing and prize the program of the price of th lact, better than average. There is a rather dis-pleasing contour around the lines of the cover, due to the great length of the first of the main display lines and the shortness of the other lines, which are also too nearly equal in length. The lines should grade down, which doesn't mean taper regusnound grade down, which doesn't mean taper regularly one line after another—the form need not be a pyramid. The display line is quite too low on the title page, being below the actual center of the page, whereas it should be above the center. The fact that the display of advertisements throught is

The fact that the display of advertisements throughout is composed in one face, Century Bold, is a mighty good point. In work of this sort it seems customary to employ forty-eleven kinds of type, resulting in a mongrel effect.

Lincoln Engraving Company, Lincoln, Nebraska.— Your letterhead is beautiful: the colors are pleasing and it is wholly appropriate to your business. Featuring artwork and engravings, the use of which is promoted by the suggestion your letterhead affords, it ought to develop business, something you possibly didn't expect of it. It seems certain to suggest similar treatment of the letterheads of some of your prospects and customers.

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J. E. Pramer, Delavan, Wisconsin.—The cards submitted are very good. The one for Bracket, on which the word "Taxi" in large Cooper Black is printed in light blue under Mr. Bracket's name in black, is especially interesting. The other card, which, by the way, contains too much copy, is

well arranged, but lacks complete effectiveness because the type faces are not very pleasing. You have done the best that seems possible with the copy and type equipment at your disposal.

NATION PRESS PRINTING COMPANY, New York city.—The folder, "A. H. B. Signing Off," is very

LAWRENCE PRINTING COMPANY, Greenwood, Mississippi.— Pages, your house-organ, and the several small folders submitted are excellent. The Lebanon Reporter, Lebanon, Indiana.—Mr. Gillette has done unusually well in the arrangement of the letterhead for the Country Club Park. We should like to reproduce it, but the fine rules in light orange would not show up well.

ROBERT L. KERN, Belleville, Illinois.— Under the circumstances, your having attained the age of 21 and having been advanced to journeyman com-positor, we regret the fact that your package of specimens has been inadvertently mislaid and their to the group above, but the heading is very good otherwise. Except for the fact that the buff tint otherwise. Except for the fact that the buff tint is too weak for display lines, etc., the folder for Liberty boxes is very good. The arrangement, which was difficult, is quite satisfactory.

INTERNATIONAL TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, Indianapolis, Indiana.—"Typographical Terrace" is a handsome booklet, descriptive in picture and story of the new headquarters home of the international offices. The building, a magnificent and beautiful

Mason Piano Company

PIANOS · PLAYER PIANOS

12 MAIN STREET · TROY



TELEPHONE MAIN 1518

Striking, yet wholly appropriate, letterhead design from a portfolio of specimens issued by the Parsons Paper Company, and executed by Currier & Harford, New York city. Original in black and orange.

THE FORWARD PRESS, Madison, Wisconsin .- No THE FORWARD PRESS, Madison, WISCORSIN.—No one can do good work with type such as you have. Old faces that were out of date in 1900 are used for the specimens you submit. Whatever sugges-tions we might make for improving the display and arrangement would be of no benefit so long as you

arrangement would be of no belief to so long as you must work with your present equipment.

THE FORS-SOULE PRESS, Rochester, New York.—

"Bel-Air." the real estate folder, similar in format to the conventional railroad folder, is effective pubhicity. The typography and presswork are of equal merit, the latter especially. The duotone plate on the title page looks unusually well, especially considering that you were unable to slip-sheet the work. Halftones throughout are cleanly printed and unusually uniform; in short, the job is A-1. "I'm Introducing Myself," announcing your installation of one of the new Miehle verticals, is an effective and attractive folder. The effect of liberal

mention so long deferred. It isn't too late to conmention so long deferred. It isn't too late to congratulate you on those accounts, as well as on the very good quality of the work. Indeed, the typography is of a high standard and the display is both interesting and effective. The initial on the blotter, "Distinctiveness," is quite too small, however, for an initial of this style in connection with a large display line. The "Thank You" folder is clever, while the "15 Reasons" mailing-folder is usually effective in both display arrange

I. W. Dawson, Louisville, Kentucky.- You ask what is wrong with the very attractive and quite effective stuffer, "Right Quantities Save Money," effective stuffer, "Right Quantities Save Money," set in Kennerley. There's nothing at all seriously wrong with it. We, too, should like to know why it did not get as much as honorable mention in the local contest, the three prize-winning entries of which we have before us. Yours is superior in residence, seems quite apropos for the offices of the officers of the craftsmen in the "art preservative of all arts." A shoddy booklet would be anything but

an arts." A snoody bookiet would be anything but representative of the craft and of the building, Stevenson & Foster Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.—Your advertising folder, "Printing Progress," on the inside spread of which the ad-vance of printing from 1820 — when William Foster established the little shop out of which your plant has grown — to 1925, is an interesting one. It is effective from that standpoint as well as because of the excellent workmanship, which should be apparent even to laymen. Except for the heavy rule above the figures "1820" on the title page there is nothing of any consequence to criticize about the whole piece, the presswork being unusu-

ally good.

C. Wolber Company, Newark, New Jersey.—
All the specimens you submit, including your house-

SPECIALIZING IN OLD MASTERS AND RARE TAPESTRIES

Rembrandt Galleries

702 FIFTH AVENUE PHILADELPHIA

Another fine example of letterhead composition from the Parsons portfolio, for which Currier & Harford deserve considerable praise.

white space, a clean-cut type and good presswork in combination is gratifying.

The Plains Journal, Plains, Kansas.—The cover of "The Plainsman," 1925 high school annual, is unique, effective and pleasing. The colors are especially attractive and the only suggestion we have to make regarding it is that the design is rather too high on the page. The text pages are well arranged and the typography is as good as the type. The presswork is not bad; in fact, it is quite good considering the grade of presswork customarily coming from such small places as your town. Some of the photos were poor, which affects the pressman's result; the eyes, noses and mouths of many of the girls in the glee-club group are lost altogether. You should look into such matters carefully in advance, as they affect your own work adversely in spite of anything you can do, once you get the plates on the press. We regret the advertisements are set in Condensed Cheltenham Bold instead of some standard light-face roman of regular shape. The face used does not create the effect of dignity a publication of this nature should reflect.

every respect to those winning second and third place, which do not compare with it at all. It is far more attractive, better arranged and in far better type than the one awarded first prize, too. Publicity value must be considered alongside of typography and beauty of ensemble, in which respect only the one awarded first place might be considered to compare with the one you submit, beside which to compare with the one you submit, beside which this first prize winner appears crude and common-place. In short, yours is much superior from a typographical standpoint to the one given first place and we'll have to be shown wherein the latter is better from an advertising standpoint. We are not afraid to go on record with the statement that if we were to rate the four, the one in Ken-nerley that you submitted would get our vote for

THOMAS TODD COMPANY, Boston, Massachusetts. -The Marion Boardman Reed folder is beautiful: handsomer typography and better printing are out of the question.

WAGNER PRINTING COMPANY, Freeport, Illinois.— The italic line in red on your letterhead is too close

organ, Impressions, and particularly the Cadillac folder, "The Tool Room," are exceptionally high

SAMUEL E. LESSER, Chronicle Press, Orange, New SAMUEL E. LESSER, Chronicle Press, Orange, New Jersey.—The work you submit is attractive, as it has always been heretofore. It is also unusually interesting, largely as a result of clever use of typographical ornaments. Such extensive use of typographical ornaments. Such extensive use of typographical ornaments. Such extensive use of typographical ornaments, Such extensive use of typographical ornaments, Such extensive use of typographical ornaments, Such extensive use of the proper in the proper in the party of printed on soft blue paper in blue and red-brown, is especially handsome.

E. J. LALONE, Worcester, Massachusetts.— Specimens submitted by you, executed in the composing room of the Davis Press, are high grade in every room of the Davis Press, are high grade in every detail. Some of the dinner programs are among the most beautiful examples of that kind of work we have ever seen. Your work effectively demonstrates the possibilities of simple layout and display when the work is sensibly and simply composed, and particularly when type faces are of pleasing design, as they are in every example you have sent us. int

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JACK PENN, Houston, Texas.—Your program for the convention of the Texas Independent Oil Men's Association is quite satisfactory, but we can see where it would have been much better if printed in two colors, as you suggest you wished to print it. The first line of the major display group the text is true lows and with season in the lower of the major display group. on the title page is too long, and, with so much vertical space available, we suggest a rearrangement with the first line "Texas Independent" made into two. The lines of the major group, furthermore, higher on the cover? It is just a little too high on the cover, but the location is far more satisfac-tory there than as monotonously placed on the title page. The general effect of the typography of the inside pages is too strong for a book of this nature. There was ample room for the use of a larger size of type for the body matter throughout, as the type pages, despite wide spacing between paragraphs and around subheads, is quite short in proportion to the paper page. We suggest a lighter latest consignment being the design of the cover for the hand book of Trinity University. This page is not only neat, but has considerable character. You make effective use of linoleum tint blocks under halftones and we do not believe there is any-thing you could have done that would add so much to the appearance of work in proportion to trouble

and expense.

THE ARTCRAFT PRESS, Naperville, Illinois.—
Specimens are of the best quality in all respects.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON PORTLAND · OREGON

CAPITAL \$2,000,000



SURPLUS \$10,000,000

Dignity is the outstanding feature of this handsome bank letterhead and the second color used, light blue, has its appropriate significance, too.

By Currier & Harford, New York.

are somewhat too closely spaced, especially in view of the amount of white space elsewhere; in fact, everything else about the page is open. The ornaments on pages two and three are too large and create a bad effect, which could have been overcome in a two-color job, when, obviously, these items would have been printed in the second and weaker color. The matter on page three should have been set in narrower measure to balance the white space of the page to better advantage. The type groups crowd the border at the sides decidedly, whereas the white space vertically is out of proportion. Page four looks neat, though, of course, the leaf orna-ment under the heading is too heavy, just as on

ment under the heading is too heavy, just as on pages two and three.

SAM GOLDSTEEN, Brooklyn, New York.— Despite its atrocious appearance the Colonial Daily Broadcast, a broadside mailed daily to the salesmen of the paint concern represented, undoubtedly had an influential effect from the standpoint of publicity. Composed seemingly without regard to taste, in saling a property of the property o various unrelated type faces that are as bad in

line under the running head and a color for the subheads, especially since the Bodoni Bold, in which these headings are set, is quite too heavy in rela-tion to the body. Back margins are too wide and the front margins too narrow. We suggest that you follow the plan of graduating the size of the you follow the plan of graduating the size of the margins from the back to the top, to the front, to the bottom. The band of border under the running head on the text pages looks bad and without reason on the final page, which aside from it and the imprint is blank. The presswork is good; in fact, the cover design and the printing are considerably better than the typography.

L. McCrossin, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.—The letterhead for the Philadelphia Sporting Writers Association is very good indeed, especially considering the long list of names included in the copy. We must disagree with the artist who suggested that the cut centered under the main display line should

cut centered under the main display line should have been centered between the groups of names at either side, and below the major line. In the position he suggests, the design would appear much

Your letterhead, the type matter of which is printed over an ornament in a light tint — which it just fits — is a pleasing and effective novelty that has dignity as well as interest. The colors are very pleas-

J. D. Womack & Co., Norman, Oklahoma.—We admire your work very much; it is sensibly com-posed in some of the better-grade type faces; so

good in fact that we are not surprised to find that you have customers as far away as Arizona.

R. W. Weber, Terre Haute, Indiana.— Because of its informal treatment your business card is quite interesting, and it is also well arranged, but we consider the size is a little too large. The same form in a smaller scale would have been a great deal better.

Howard Parker, Sanford, Florida.— Most of the specimens you submit are thoroughly satisfac-tory. The lines of the letterhead for the Sanford Garage are too closely spaced, however, and some of them are set in larger type than they should be, especially considering the fact that there are

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MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY CAMBRIDGE MASSACHUSETTS



Despite the large sizes of type used this letterhead is given dignity through the inscriptional style and the chaste style of type used wholly in capitals. The form is wholly in keeping with the nature of the subject. The original in brown and black on white laid stock of fine quality is especially handsome.

By Eric F. Hodgins, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

design as they are inharmonious in form, the broad-side has an atrocious typographical effect. The cleverness of the idea from an advertising standpoint televeness of the loca from an advertising standpoint justified far more attractive typography, and let us tell you that a thing doesn't need to be inharmonious to be *strong*. There are handsome bold-face types, just as heavy and strong as any you used in these "fliers."

HERALD PUBLISHING COMPANY, Albany, Georgia.

The cover of the Kiwanis convention booklet is —The cover of the Kiwanis convention booklet is handsome and is executed in fine fashion, although the lettering might easily have been much better. We consider the title page, which is printed from the same cuts as used on the cover, quite too strong, as the inside stock is much lighter than that of the cover. The group is also placed quite too low on the title page. Why practically center the design on the title page when it is so much

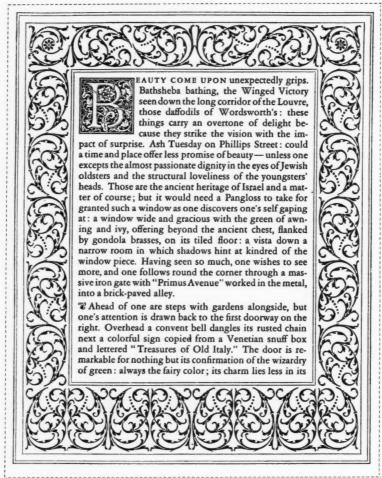
more out of balance than it does as printed: in more out of balance than it does as printed; in fact, it would appear very bad, whereas it doesn't now seem displeasing. The important thing is that balance in the design as a whole shall be good. The fact that you used a handsome type face, Cloister Old Style, which, by the way, is especially good on a heading of this style, is as commendable as the manner in which the heading is laid out.

R. R. DONNELLEY & SONS COMPANY, Chicago, Illinois.—"The Primer of Undivided Responsibility" is one of the handsomest and most impressive ity" is one of the handsomest and most impressive pieces of printer's advertising we have seen. The color and artwork throughout are not only apropos but especially beautiful, and the presswork is of the best quality.

MIDDLETOWN PRINTING COMPANY, Waxahachie,

Texas.—Your work continues high grade, the most interesting and attractive piece of work in your

so many lines in this heading. The blotter, "Sanford Will Be Just What We Make It," is not up to the standard of the other pieces, although arrangement and display are satisfactory, because the type faces are not attractive ones, the condensed block-letter type being especially unsatisfactory. Furthermore, the color effect is quite too warm. We grant, of course, that the piece is mighty strong in attention value, but to give it more of that quality than necessary at a sacrifice of those qualities that invite reading and make reading easy is wrong. The leaflet for the Chamber of Commerce is quite effective; the figure, the head on which is our terrestrial globe showing most of the western hemisphere and part of Europe, is clever because of the manner in which eyes, nose and mouth are sketched in the space representing and mouth are sketched in the space representing



Page from handsome folder by the Thomas Todd Company, Boston, Massachusetts.

W. Askew, Lancaster, England.— If a little more ornamental than we like, the specimens you submit are nevertheless very good, due largely to their effective and informal layout and to excellent judgment of display values. Cut down a little on the amount of rulework and use the ornament case less frequently, and we are sure you will like your work better.

FLOYD A. MARTIN, Columbus, Ohio.—The effect of novelty characteristic of much of your work gives it value because of the greater interest it is sure to arouse. Such effects can not be expected to result from conventional arrangements, which, however, are safest and surest of a good result. The fact that the work is tasteful, not the least bit gaudy or having an effect of being overdonemeans additional value, too. Most typographers fail when they depart from the beaten path of conventional, centered arrangements, hence the emphasis we give the importance of simplicity. The "Season's Greetings" leaflet of the Bash Letter & Printing Company is unusually pleasing, the colors being especially attractive. The statement for Stanley Vandervort is striking and also unique, although the green is just a shade too strong.

THE PRINT SHOPPE, Cincinnati, Ohio.—All your specimens are excellent typographically and have the additional quality of being interesting and novel as well. The novelty blotters are particularly effective. We are reproducing a folder title page which is suggestive of an interesting way in which you avoid the commonplace.

C. P. Anderson, San Francisco, California.—Your specimen book showing type faces furnished by the Cossityne-Founder, Typographers is in gen-

C. P. ANDERSON, San Francisco, California.— Your specimen book showing type faces furnished by the Cossitype-Foundry-Typographers is in general quite satisfactory, the typography being especially good. Margins are not in keeping, however; they are very bad, the back and top ones being too wide, and the front and bottom too narrow. You have some good faces, but with the beautiful Italian Old Style in normal proportions, why do you feature the wide? The regular is fully wide enough, and much is lost by the extension of the face into the wide. Garamond or Kennerley would have been a much better buy for you than the Italian Wide.

O. D. BACKUS, St. Louis, Missouri.— Considering that the specimens you submit are the work of students, they are commendable. The form for The National Accountant is poor because the whiting out is not well balanced; the lines at the top are too long in relation to those at the bottom. Again, the lines are not well arranged according to sense: The words, "The National Accountant," should occupy a line; "of New York" should be set in smaller type and centered underneath the name of the paper. The division of "Editor-in-Chief" is also very bad. The catalogue envelope for The Inland Printer is too weak in the middle of the panel and the slogan is not at all well arranged, as witness the wide spacing between words of the first two lines and the fact that only one word, "World," appears on the third line. Some arrangement of this slogan should have been made that would avoid such wide differences as exist in the length of these related lines. The use of points to fill out lines, as in the third line of the group referred to, may be all right theoretically, but it doesn't work out in practice. The effect desired is not attained because the points are so much smaller than the letters that the appearance is not materially changed from what it would be if there were nothing whatever at the ends of the short line. The extra-condensed capitals used for the titles in the panels of the "Contents" page of The Linotype Bulletin is not only inharmonious with other display of the page but difficult to read besides. Mr. Behring's card for Druckeir is the best specimen of the lot, although the

irregularity of the address lines at the bottom should have been avoided in some way. The card for The Charles Harding Company is too heavy at the top, as is also the one for the Royal Paper Company. The major line of a business card should be only slightly above the center, never so high as on the Royal card.

HIRAM E. TUTTLE, Osage, Iowa.—One doesn't have to go to the metropolis to get fine printing and typography if he lives at Osage; he can get it right at home. The many specimens included in the package recently received from you are representative of the finest in typography and printing, and you have some of the finest type faces available today, which contribute their part — and a considerable one — to the excellence of your work.

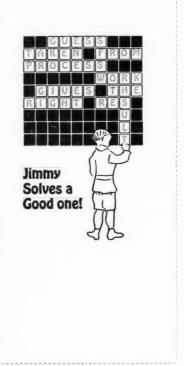
a considerable one — to the excellence of your work.

VALLEY PRINTING COMPANY, Eugene, Oregon.—
In arrangement and display your blotter, "Our Phone Number Is 470," is quite satisfactory: in fact, the white space is distributed in an unusually effective way. The printing is so poor, however, as to offset the good typography, many of the letters being filled up: the form as a whole is over light and too heavy in spots. The circular "Coats — Hats — Dresses" is printed much better, but the type at the top is crowded too closely in relation to the large amount of open space lower down on the page.

Michael M. Mohy, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.—

MICHAEL M. MOHN, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.— Specimens included in your latest package are excellent. Good type faces, simply and pleasingly arranged, make even those forms that are usually considered of little consequence stand out as representative of the best standards.

THE WILLISTON PRESS, Washington, District of Columbia.—Your work scores high, the announcement "Our Christmas Cards Are Ready" being especially pleasing. Old English and Old Style Antique make an effective combination, as is demonstrated in this case, especially when the design and the whiting out are good. The Annite booklet is another especially neat piece of work. The only feature we do not like about your work is the fact that quite extensive groups of body matter are sometimes set wholly in capitals. Capitals in mass are difficult to read and, generally, do not look well because of the difficulties in the way of proper spacing due to the relatively thicker letters, which give fewer words to the line.



The popular cross-word puzzle is here effectively adopted as the motif for the title of a folder. By The Print Shoppe, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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TREMONT PRINTING COMPANY, Bronx, New York. -Your blotters are very neat: the one designed to develop business in political printing is especially

C. E. STARLING, Spokane, Washington.— Your blotters stand out from the crowd; they are so different, so interesting and, withal, so excellent we do not hesitate to rate them among the best blotters we have seen in a long time. Colors and

illustrations are used with telling effect.
R. S. Woodward, Fairmont, West Virginia.—The R. S. Woodward, Fairmont, West Virginia.—The Masonic invitation is weakened rather than strengthened by the fact that the printing is in various colors blended across the form. It doesn't seem that a formal invitation set in Old English is the proper medium for the application of novelty such as the changing color scheme effects; in fact, we have yet to see a piece whereon this manner of printing had any merit.

Free Press Printing Company, Burlington, Vermont.—"Spells and Charms" is one of the most effective blotters received with this month's

Vermont.—"Spens and Charms" is one of the most effective blotters received with this month's batch of specimens for review. The excellent illus-tration and the neat arrangement of the type matter

tration and the neat arrangement of the type matter result in a form that every one who sees will read. The accompanying form letter entitled "Black Magic" is likewise very good, your letterhead design, in Goudy Old Style, being excellent. MICHAELS & BRIGGS, Newport, Kentucky.—Your mailing piece entitled "Small Potatoes," a tag of inen-finished stock in the hole of which a small potato is attached with a string, is mighty clever. The novelty of the piece is certain to "catch on" and assure that your impressive text will be read, which, we feel confident, will redound to your enefit. Such enterprise, originality and talent are certain to bear fruit. certain to bear fruit.

THE OIL BELT PUBLISHING COMPANY, Eastland, Texas.—If the word "Stationers" had been set in upper and lower case italics instead of altogether in upper and lower case italics instead of altogether in capitals—and a size larger, so the lower-case characters of the new line would be approximately the size of the capitals in the old one—the effect would be greatly improved. The lines of the major group are too closely spaced in relation to the open nature of the form in other parts, especially around the line "Stationers." The brown should have been just a trifle lighter, particularly for the line referred to above, although the color is quite satisfactory as "it stands, for the band across the top. In spite of the suggestions we have made, we consider the design very satisfactory.

we consider the design very satisfactory. Day and Night SERVICE We are operating eighteen hours per day. The night crew is in charge of Mr. Norman E. Hermann, who will answer telephone calls and give you all the courteous service possible. Do not hesitate to call Mr. Hermann if in doubt regarding the disposition of mats, plates, proofs, or whatnot. This continuous service was made necessary by your liberal patronage. We appreciate it and we thank you most sincerely. Night service vastly enlarges the scope of our activities. Give us copy in the evening and you can have the proof on your desk at 9:00 o'clock in the morning. Remember, the loud alarm phone is on Court 3898. The other two phones are Court 3899 and Court 2695. EDWIN H. STUART, INC. 422 First Avenue, Pittsburgh, Penna TUART MAKES TYPE TALK

Interesting border treatment in two colors features this leaflet by Edwin H. Stuart, who makes type shout at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Typographical Union for the place, including five acres of valuable ground, was \$167,500.

Purchase of the headquarters property has been found a very fortunate investment. Business is rapidly advancing northward on Meridian street. In the next block, south, construction work has been started on a \$2,000,000 hotel. The union has declined an offer for a part of its ground approximating the sum paid for the entire property.

Thousands of motor cars pass Typographical Terrace daily on the city's main north-andsouth thoroughfare and the beautiful place is pointed out to all visitors as the home of the International Typographical Union. Thus attention is directed to the stability, influence and power of the printers' organization.

Officials of the union believe that Typographical Terrace, in addition to providing commodious and adequate quarters for the

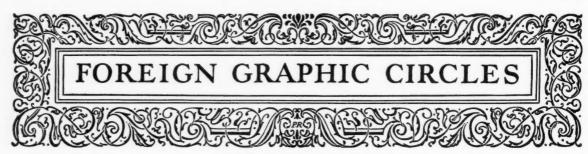
handling of Union business, will help to advance Trade Unionism in the esteem of the general public—a purpose the I. T. U. has served well in the past. The Union's Home in Colorado Springs, its old age pension and mor-



Related typography and illustration on toned stock make the inner pages of the booklet, "Typographical Terrace," by the International Typographical Union, a thing of beauty and a joy forever. Spacing throughout is executed with meticulous care: even in narrow measures alongside cuts, as at the bottom of this page, the spacing between words is close, despite the large size of the body type. Some modification of the text was probably necessary to make it so — but it is well worth while.

American Lutheran Publicity Bureau, New York city.—In ar-rangement and display the work produced by or for your bureau, as the case may be, represents com-mendable effort. Layouts are in good order, and excellent judgment has generally been exercised in the selection and treatment of display features. Many of the specimens are exceptionally good, the distinctive feature about those so characterized being the fact that they are set in more pleasing types than were used on those which are less satisfactory. That is just another way of stating that where the work is not up to the standard we consider it should be — and of your better work — the trouble is with the type and not with its handling. If there is a serious fault with the handling, it is that of crowding; in

a number of instances larger types are used than necessary to provide adequate legibility, and the resultant effect of crowding is much more of a handicap to reading than smaller sizes of type would be. With the handsome Goudy Bold and would be. With the handsome Goody both and Kennerley faces, which are used with fine effect on the title page of the folder for the Yorkville Day School Christmas Festival, we can not understand why the title of the program of the open air Luther Day service at Gulfport should be set in Chelten-ham Bold and Engravers Old English, which are quite decidedly incongruous. Remember, too, the Old English face should never be letter-spaced, as it is in this page; the beauty of this style of letter depends upon the mass treatment approximating its character, which is quite compact. With more care exercised to avoid crowding—and with better type faces in more general use—you can make a marked improvement in the appearance of your printing. After all is said and done, the most essential thing to the production of good printing is good type. ing is good type. Remember also that the type-founders charge no more for good faces than for poor,



By OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

GREAT BRITAIN

ACCORDING to the Leeds *Mercury* over eight thousand persons earn their fiving in that city in connection with the printing and allied trades.

CHARLES WILLIAM BROCK, who served nearly fifty years in the composing room of the Yorkshire *Post*, died recently at Leeds, at the age of eighty.

FREDERICK JOHN HALL, controller of the Oxford University Press, died August 24, in his sixty-first year. He had spent his whole life in the service of this office.

Mrs. Julia S. Monroe, who for many years has been a pensioner of the Printers' Pension Corporation, recently attained her one hundred and third birthday.

Frank Colebrook, a well known writer for the typographic press, is now giving some interesting reports of what he saw during a short visit to the United States the past summer.

THE Caslon Circular, the house-organ of the Caslon Letter Foundry, London, has reached its fiftieth year of publication. Thomas W. Smith was its first editor and William Blades one of its earliest contributors. In the last July issue the Circular gives fine tribute to a loyal servant of the house, Richard J. Chitson, who died early this year at the age of eighty-four. He entered the employ of the house at the age of eleven, when H. W. Caslon was still the actual head of the foundry. Among other interesting recordings it states that when the point system was introduced in England Mr. Chitson "was fully prepared and entirely competent to deal with it, and to him were confidently entrusted the readjustments and reorganization consequent upon so revolutionary a change."

GERMANY

THE German Museum at Munich possesses a replica of the first power press invented by Friedrich König.

THE Anzeiger of Hanau is now in its two hundredth year of publication. It has a circulation of 11,500.

AN EXHIBIT of American art printing was given in the Nuremberg Printing Trades Hall on September 27.

THE Association of German Paper Manufacturers on September 29 celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding.

A STRIKE of twelve weeks' duration of typefoundry employees is now concluded. An increase of ten per cent in wages was achieved.

It is perhaps not generally known that various other persons besides Johann Gutenberg have been declared to be the inventors of printing with movable type. Thus, a silversmith, Prokop Waldvogel, originally from Prague, is said to have engraved letters in steel, iron, tin, copper, brass and lead at Avignon, France, about 1444-46, and taught the art of script reproduction. In Feltre, Italy, a monument was erected in 1868 in honor of a citizen of this town, Pamfilo Castaldi, as the inventor of printing. In Strassburg it was believed for several centuries that one Johann Mentelin, of Schlettstadt, was the first to print with cast type. In Bruges, Flanders, a certain Jean Brito was said to have invented the "black art" quite independently of any one else. And in Holland the honor of being the original inventor of typography is claimed for Laurens Janszoon Coster, of Harlem. Even in Mayence in early days sometimes Johannes Fust and sometimes Peter Schoeffer were credited with this honor. At present, however, the only contestant for whom his self-elected propagandists make claims versus Gutenberg is Coster. Much ink has already been used by the adherents of either. Still, the weightiest evidence of tradition and history favors the claims of Johann Gutenberg.

FRANCE

THE first part of the new French dictionary of the Academy (up to the letter H) will appear in May, 1926. It will have a preface written by its "perpetual secretary," René Doumic

THE Circulaire des Protes has started the publication of a "Code Typographique" or style book for French printing. We mention this by way of encouragement for those who long for a similar work for American printing offices. The Circulaire is the organ of the foremen and superintendents.

Announcement is made that Georges Crèz, director of the Georges Crèz & Cie., Publications, will start another concern, under the name of Les Arts du Livre, which will begin by publishing a collection of demi-luxe works entitled "Les grands Prix litteraires."

Gabriel Wells, of New York, having heard that the house in which Balzac lived from 1842 to 1848, in the rue Raynouard, Paris, was to be demolished, offered 50,000 francs to help conserve this habitation of the celebrated author. However, his generosity is futile, since the work of tearing down the residence will proceed.

HOLLAND

New customs regulations of the Netherlands now admit free of duty process blocks and printers' blocks.

ACCORDING to the latest count there are sixty-three offset presses in use in Holland. Ten more are ordered. At present the proportion of lithographic to offset presses is as six to one.

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M. Bakker, of Zaandam, possesses one of the most celebrated collections of antiquities having to do with the graphic arts, consisting of types, cuts, presses, engravings, impressions, etc. It is rumored that a large typefoundry of Germany is negotiating with Mr. Bakker for its purchase.

RUSSIA

IT APPEARS that, as a result of the rapid getting away from czaristic illiteracy and the complete autonomy of the various national republics, which have their own capitals, with the university students working with their native languages instead of the Russian, there is a tremendous demand for paper. Although all mills are working at full capacity, paper has to be imported from abroad. Credits for the erection of more paper mills are being urged.

BELGIUM

THE Central Committee of Belgian Industries issued a volume advertising the manufactures of this country, with the text in French, English and Spanish. The feature that falls under our notice is the size of the page — 21 by 29.7 centimeters — which is a hypotenuse oblong, the principle inherent in the new German paper formats.

SOUTH AFRICA

A TRULY well printed trade journal, pleasing to look over, comes to us from Durban, under the name of *African Sugar and Cotton Planter*. It makes fine use of Cheltenham faces, both for reading matter and advertisements.

RUMANIA

THE state printing office at Bucharest has just installed two rotary presses. The official gazette, which often runs to eighty quarto pages, has been printed on flat-bed cylinder presses, which have proved inadequate for the steadily increasing circulation.

JAPAN

A COMPANY has been organized in this country, with a capital of 5,000,000 yen, to deal in news-print paper. Through it competition between various mills will, it is hoped, be greatly lessened.

Publishing a Newspaper in an Open Tent

By VICTOR GREEN



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HE curiosity of many people to "see the wheels go round" in a newspaper plant has been satisfied by the daily newspaper which students of the journalism department of Indiana University, each year since 1922, have published in an open tent at the annual state fair at Indianapolis. So far as is known, this publication is the

only state-fair organ "on exhibition" during its production, in a tent. It has a free circulation of 10,000 copies, and yet it is self-supporting.

In 1922 W. L. Reeves, business manager of *The Indiana Daily Student*, proposed the publishing of the paper as a statefair exhibit. Experience gained by the students and the value of their contact with newspapermen throughout Indiana were arguments in favor of the project; and, besides, an official fair organ, containing the news of the fair, publishing the daily program of attractions and serving as a guide to visitors, would be welcome to fair-goers. As an exhibit of the making of a newspaper, it would be unique. Finally, and perhaps the most convincing argument, it would give Indiana University and Bloomington, home of the university, invaluable publicity at no cost. As the fair was to take place during the week before the enrolment of classes at the university, the attendance of students at Indianapolis could be conveniently arranged.

Objectors doubted whether enough advertising space could be sold to cover expenses. It was feared that Bloomington merchants, looking at the matter from a purely business standpoint, would not advertise in a paper to be sent fifty-five miles before being distributed. Mr. Reeves, however, was confident of the soundness of his idea, and took a census of the opinions of Bloomington advertisers. He went from retailer to manufacturer to wholesaler, selling his theories. To each he ex-

plained the value of advertising in such a paper — in obtaining trade throughout the state, in obtaining state-wide good will for the paper's patrons, and in the publicity that would be given to Bloomington institutions by the student body as a whole. The business manager's enthusiasm and *The Student's* reputation won. Three-fourths of the advertising space was contracted for before the Indianapolis field was tried. In all, enough was sold to enable *The Student* to show a balanced ledger sheet after all expenses were paid.

The editorial staff of six students, under the supervision of Prof. Claude M. Bolser and J. Wymond French, began preparations by collecting and writing features about Indiana University and the state fair. These were set up at the university print shop, ready to be used as "fillers." The embryo newspapermen had to be content with collecting news and writing and editing copy at the fairground and sending it to Bloomington to be set and printed. Before the turnstiles let in the first visitor, the editorial staff was at its post. At night the copy was sent to the university shop by messenger, there set up and printed, and every morning motor trucks rolled into the fairground by 7:30, bearing copies of the eight-page, sevencolumn paper to be distributed gratis to visitors. The program of attractions for the day was always one of its important features. A diagram of the ground, showing the location of all exhibits, and a guide for visitors were other items. Lists of premium winners and the premiums to be awarded during the day were scrutinized closely by patrons of the fair. Results of races and complete baseball returns filled the sport pages.

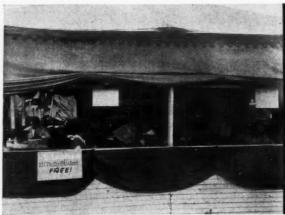
Every paper in Indiana was on the mailing list of *The Student* during fair week. In answer to requests from all over the country, wherever the experiment was heard of, copies were mailed free of charge. Skeptics became enthusiasts and boosted the paper as strongly as they formerly had opposed the



As the Front Page Looked



As the Average Page Looked



Editorial and Business Office



Composing Room

idea. A member of the state-fair board, endeavoring in vain to be every place on the ground at once, stated that, without the help of *The Student*, he could not have hoped to keep in close contact with all activities. With its aid he could judge the attracting power of the various events and exhibits.

In spite of its success as a fair organ, during its first year it remained only a fair organ, not an exhibit as had been hoped. The next year a request was made for a building to house a complete newspaper plant on the ground, and as this could not be granted because of the scarcity of space for the many exhibits, the state-fair board provided a tent twenty feet wide and thirty feet long. Again the Bloomington advertisers were appealed to and once more they responded one hundred per cent. Although the cost of the eight-page paper issued that year was about \$3,000 — more than the combined cost of all the other seventeen departmental exhibits from Indiana University — the space sold again covered the expense. An average of 600 inches of advertisement space for each issue was sold before the fair opened.

A model newspaper plant, practically a duplicate of the one on the campus at the university, was set up in the open tent at the state-fair site. The Intertype Corporation provided two machines for the composition. The remainder of the complete composing outfit was transported on trucks from the university shop. Ten typewriters, desks and other office furnishings were installed in the office half of the tent. Only a press was lacking to make the plant complete, but as one could not be installed in so temporary a structure, the locked pages were sent to the Home Printing Company, of Indianapolis, where the work was done on a Duplex press. With an editorial staff of eight and a composing-room force of two intertype operators, two ad. setters and one makeup man, Mr. Reeves and Professor Bolser established themselves in their new quarters. News of the fair was, of course, given prominence, but additional news was added. Associated Press bulletins and telephone service to the tent were obtained through permission of the Indianapolis Star and the Indianapolis News, members of the Associated Press in the capital city. Co-ed reporters covered all women's exhibits, style shows and baby contests. A bulletin board in front of the office was kept filled with the latest world news bulletins, fair news and programs.

The tent was divided into editorial and composing rooms, and a single railing was the only barrier between the spectators and the workers. Innumerable times students were interrupted in their work to answer questions about the paper or the plant. All was not a bed of roses for the staff. One night rain caused the short circuiting of the intertype machines, and it was dawn before the weary students "put the paper to bed." To add to their troubles, the owner of a merry-go-round had set up his

machine directly opposite the office. The two or three wheezy strains of the whirling ride repeated hour after hour almost drove the workers into a frenzy in their efforts to concentrate on their work. A copy of *The Student* was sent to every print shop in the United States that year as a sample of presswork and makeup, also to every Hoosier newspaper office.

The year 1924 was chiefly a repetition of former successes. An editorial staff of eight students, headed by Mr. Reeves and Professor Bolser, published the paper. One intertype machine was taken from Bloomington with the other equipment and the Intertype Corporation supplied an additional machine. National advertisers became interested in the paper and purchased a great deal of the space.

This year a test was made to determine recipients' interest in *The Student*. It was thought that laden with literature and souvenirs, thousands of people would merely glance at *The Student* and throw it down. Instructed to count the number of copies found around, the ground keepers reported that the greatest number of discarded copies was 125. And 10,000 had been distributed!

This year the staff of ten was in charge of Floyd Edwards, of Horse Cave, Kentucky, as editor-in-chief, and Professor Bolser was the faculty representative. About the same amount of advertising was obtained as in former years. A daily cartoon, the subject matter drawn from current events, was contributed by a student. The Indianapolis News and the Indianapolis Star again supplied Associated Press news service. A staff member sent news of freshman week, which was in progress at the university, and papers carrying the news of freshman week activities were distributed on the campus. Copies of the paper were sent to all Indiana newspaper offices.

All went well this year, if we omit reference to several storms, during which the wind threatened to pick the plant up bodily, and the attack made on the tent by a drove of monstrous prize hogs. Apparently jealous of the attention bestowed on the newspaper, the porkers stampeded the tent in a body, trampling the bulletin board and hitting the ropes until a collapse of the structure seemed imminent.

In the opinion of a member of the State Board of Agriculture, *The Student* gave the most comprehensive view of the fair of any papers published at Indianapolis. It is planned to allow the use of a more permanent location for the publication for future years. If space can be provided for publication on the ground, a press for the printing will be supplied by the Indianapolis *Star*. Wherever it is located, however, it always will be an exhibit, according to plans, and the clicking of typewriters and whirring of typesetting machines will have to vie for attention with the crowing of roosters, bellowing of calves and squealing of pigs.



This department will be devoted to a frank and free discussion of any topic of interest to the printing industry. Nothing is barred save personalities and sophistries. Obviously, the editor will not shoulder responsibility for any views advanced.

"The Inland Printer" His "Post Graduate" Medium

To the Editor:

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WEST SULLIVAN, MAINE.

I have been a reader-student of trade journals for the past quarter century. The Inland Printer is my "post graduate" medium. I read and re-read it, file it and read it many times again, so that things worth knowing by repetition finally seep into the subconscious department for future use. When I read topics in later issues the memories of the old crop up. Too many read their journals superficially, and the last time, just because they carry a prejudice against a date line a little old.

I note in the August issue an article on "Permanence in Paper." My idea of practically overcoming the disadvantages of short life of paper is to reprint desirable matter for historical uses and filing. People read choice matter in different periodicals and then want them to file away. Rewrite them. Reprint them. Circulate the reprints. Keep good things alive. Suppose people who see the old world cathedrals and the like never took pictures and made illustrations of them. Publishers of daily papers and magazines can't run extra editions off on rag paper, and even if they did, the placing of them in libraries would be a problem. A small portion of people are historically bent, and when they find choice matter they should be the ones to reprint or rewrite them and file them for future use.

All our classics can be saved in this way. Trade journals can help by reprinting in current issues matter from old files, as the reprint will reach a new generation who need it as much as the past generation did. That is where a table of contents is fine for reference in back issues.

The article in the August issue about "Uniformity of Style" is a good one. I have worked alone most of my years and have had to depend on trade journals for "mixing" with craftsmen; I find The Inland Printer has some high-grade writers, and every issue is as good to me as going to a convention — better, as I have it in print.

Lately I have worked in a crew of sixty on a daily paper. Most of them were seniors on the job, but such a bunch of specialists." They didn't know a thing three feet from their desks. I, being an all-around man, got a slant on many departments, and my reading of THE INLAND PRINTER carried me through with the best of them. I assisted on proofreading. The boss reader was a senior in the shop of twenty years, came up the ladder, but in this shop only. And talk about shop rules! These readers wouldn't hold a job one pay day in another shop. I had read F. Horace Teall and his son in THE INLAND PRINTER, so I started a few things when questions came up. Then the head reader asked me how I came by my ideas. I asked her if she had ever read any of Mr. Teall, and, of course, she "had never heard of him." thought that settled him as zero. But I told her to dig him up and read up. She admitted that when I took a point I could go back to the last work for authority. There are a

hundred little things in punctuation that trip up the best of them. One is periods and commas inside or outside of quotes. Neither is final. Both are right — but you must know when it is right. It all hinges on the meaning in the sentence.

I should say uniformity could be boiled down to what De Vinne and Mr. Teall have said, and the style book of the Government Printing Office.

In working in crews I have found out that a lot of "How to Climb" stuff is all bunk, in practice. A good man in a crew of "slops" stands no show at all against seniority. They will run him off the job as soon as he shows them up by being better than they, just for self-preservation.

When you pin him down, a business manager will admit a new man is A-1, but he will let a good new man go and hold the old ones and let the pay roll and owners suffer financially. A lot of big shops can't stop "the little foxes that gnaw the vines." They go under or prosper, whichever way business favors them.

R. F. GERRISH.

Printers in South Africa

To the Editor:

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA.

In order that there shall be no misunderstanding among your readers as to the working hours and conditions in the printing trade in Bloemfontein, South Africa, I think it is necessary to point out that your "valued correspondent," Calvin Martin (whoever he may be), must have been referring to the office and managerial side of "print," because the ordinary technical staff, the real producers, have to work forty-six hours a week, as laid down by the national agreement. They have no opportunity to "swill tea" (elegant phrase) every hour or so. At the same time, it is hardly likely that this gentleman's indictment would apply to all printing offices in Bloemfontein; he has evidently been mixing in bad company!

As regards his point that a man who is a *printer* can go there and coin money, well, I'm afraid in his apparent anxiety to express his contempt for printing methods and product in that town he is indulging very much in overexaggeration.

Bloemfontein is not badly off, either with regard to up-to-date equipment or the skill of its craftsmen—the principal office, the *Friend*, being very well equipped—and, I venture to say, would compare very favorably with many a town of its size in the States.

A. J. DOWNES,

General Secretary, South African Typographical Union.

How to Clean Gas-Pipes

To the Editor: ROANOKE, VIRGINIA.

Recently I had a great deal of trouble with the gas burner on the linotype. I knew the pressure in the main was all right, because other machines were not affected. However, I inspected the governor on the main, removed the burner itself and cleaned it, but without any improvement. Adjusting the thermostat had no effect whatever. Finally I concluded that

the gas-pipe must be stopped up. Working on this supposition I tried the extra burner connection at the bottom of the machine and found the pressure there to be all right. So, rather than remove all the pipe connections leading to the various parts of the metal pot, I tried attaching an air hose, carrying about twenty pounds' pressure, at the extra burner. Then, closing the valve controlling the gas supply, I opened the valve to the extra burner and let the air blow through the pipes and burners for two or three minutes. Upon relighting the gas I found all burners were burning too high, but with a few minutes' adjustment of the thermostat the temperature of the metal was brought down to 550° without any trouble. I think this is the quickest way of cleaning gas-pipes which become clogged with dust and moisture. If an air supply is not available, an ordinary automobile tire pump will do just as well. However, when using an automobile tire pump, shut off all but one of the burners, as better results will be obtained with less effort, on account of the small capacity of the pump. L. A. MAIER. - CANDO

Private and Public Printing Plants

To the Editor: VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the September issue of The Inland Printer, on page 955, is an editorial headed "Private and Public Printing Plants." It is a well written editorial—as many of your editorials are—and the subject dealt with is a live question and one that has had many opinions pro and con expressed on it, and reams of statistics marshaled to support those varying opinions. It is a legitimate controversial subject.

For the present I am not interested in those opinions, nor in the statistics supporting either side. My interest is in the first and last paragraphs of the editorial mentioned.

The first paragraph reads:

We do not wish to be classed with those who condemn every private and public printing plant as inefficient and wasteful—as an economic encumbrance on its owner, so to speak. A number of them are ren efficiently, economically, and wholly in accordance with established business methods and practices. But there are also others

The last paragraph:

Another example of waste and inefficiency in public printing plants comes from the Government Printing Bureau at Victoria, British Columbia. Because of constant criticism of excessive costs of the printing produced by the bureau, the minister ordered an investigation. John Bruce Cowan, the investigator, reports in The Canadian Printer and Publisher that "the shortcomings apparent in the operation of the government plant were largely traceable to and generally explained by the fact that it was a government institution. There was no necessity to speed up production to make profits; there was thought to be little reason for a check on operations; the work, with the exception of the short period parliament is in session, was routine work, and the slogan seemed to be, what can not be produced today can be done tomorrow; what can not be done this week can be done next, and so on. Production naturally suffered."

As the signature to this letter will show, I am the "investigator" who made the investigation—and for the reasons given; who brought in the report to the government containing the words of condemnation quoted, and who wrote the article in *The Canadian Printer and Publisher* on the results of that investigation from which you quote.

Having had something to do at various times with newspapers and publications, I am willing to make due allowance for the editorial license that uses just what is necessary, without context or explanation, to make a point in proving a case; and I had to smile when you exercised this prerogative to the limit in damning the private printing plant.

In justice to the Government Printing Bureau at Victoria, British Columbia, which, fairly enough, resents your editorial

reference, may I draw your attention to one or two paragraphs in the article you quote that you overlooked?

Preceding the paragraph you quote, citing the bureau at Victoria as a "horrible example," the article in your Canadian contemporary, which was prepared largely from my report to the government, says:

General conditions in the printing bureau at Victoria when the survey commenced were little worse than in many commercial plants in British Columbia as operated during the preceding two or three years of depression; but as the bureau worked under different conditions there wasn't the same excuse.

Further in the article I say:

Before commencing work in Victoria it was a generally accepted view no government printing plant could operate as efficiently or cheaply as a well conducted commercial plant. It was again and again reiterated that the government would be well advised to close the bureau and give the work out by contract.

Aside from the facts that the plant was already established and could not be disposed of without great loss, that it was a great convenience, and that a great deal of work going through was of a confidential nature . . . I was of the opinion then — and still am, with production records to back that opinion — that a government printing bureau can operate at as low a cost, or even lower cost, than a commercial plant. . . . I saw no unsatisfactory condition in the bureau at Victoria that could not be remedied by the application of firm, sane, approved business methods.

To boil my report to the government down to reasonable length, let me say the recommendations of most importance made—all of which have been put into effect—were briefly: A complete reorganization of mechanical and clerical departments where needed; the retirement of several employees; a reduction in staffs; the installation of the U. T. A. Standard Cost-Finding System, altered to fit the needs of the bureau; more coöperation between other government departments and the bureau; and strict adherence to the policy of no political interference with the bureau.

The practical results of this survey and putting into effect the recommendations made show that for the first year following the reorganization a saving in salaries of \$25,000 was effected and \$8,000 more work was produced in the bureau, and this in spite of wage increases of ten per cent; that the percentages of productive time in all departments are well above the average; that the plant is working smoothly and efficiently; and that rent, depreciation and other items of overhead are taken into consideration as in commercial plants.

From plant records now available I can say confidently that the Government Printing Bureau at Victoria can be classed—to use words from the first paragraph of your editorial—as a plant "run efficiently, economically and wholly in accordance with established business methods and practices."

I have referred above to and quoted your last paragraph. I was purposely incorrect. You close your editorial with a shrug—mentally and verbally expressive. May I use those words as a fitting close to this communication: "Further reflections are superfluous"?

JOHN BRUCE COWAN.

Editor's Note: We thank Mr. Cowan for his frank correction. We had no intention whatsoever of holding up the Government Printing Bureau at Victoria as a "horrible example." We quoted a paragraph from what we considered a public document, already given wide circulation in Canada by publication in The Canadian Printer and Publisher. That by efficient business methods "a saving in salaries of \$25,000" has been effected "and \$8,000 more work" has been produced. only tends to prove our point, if we understand English correctly. We have never claimed that such efficient methods could not be introduced in a private or public printing plant. nor do we intend to do so. On the other hand, we are pleased to note that such efficiency resulted from Mr. Cowan's investigation. It shows that he must have had the confidence and coöperation of those directly concerned.

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HE HAD BEEN SELLING PRINTING for a number of years and he always made it his practice to take with him a large number of specimens produced by his company. Envelope enclosures, booklets, folders, catalogues, broadsides, he would spread before his prospects. Then one morning as he was walking through the pressroom a new idea came to him. The last color of a four-color folder job was just coming off the press. The sheet was impressive in size and the folders were being run several up. As he examined it, he marveled at the accuracy of register over the entire sheet. He picked one off the pile, allowed it to dry and then folded it to a size that would fit neatly into his brief case. When he called on his prospects that day he didn't, as usual, show them many specimens. He unfolded this one sheet and laid it out for inspection. Its size was such that it covered everything. No letters were handy for the prospect to pick up and read for the tenth time. No blotter was there for him to draw funny faces upon. No great variety of specimens were there for him to paw and criticize. There was nothing to see but this one big sheet. It predominated, controlling both his desk and interest, and showing, as well as any ten different specimens, the quality of this printer's work. . . . There is a certain majesty about simplicity. Given a choice between Green Stripe Scotch, Gordón Gin, Royal Tawny Port and Rudesheimer Hock, we may expect hesitancy and indecision; but when Rudesheimer Hock

THE ANTIQUE HUNTER has at last invaded the field of advertising! The old wooden Indian that once guarded the tobacconist's doorway is destined to a niche in the museum beside Heppelwhite furniture, Conestoga wagons and Stiegel glass. The country is being searched for him. He is being ambushed at every turn. A pretty price of \$500 has been placed on his venerable wooden head and soon he will be no more. . I stand unthrilled by this knowledge. The wooden Indian had become a symbol of the cigar store. Age had made of him a tradition, an emblem, a voluble inanimate whose trade significance was never questioned. Ah me! why did this ever come about? Why is the dear old wooden image not today more valuable than he was before? When a trade-mark becomes such a power, is it not time to resurrect it rather than destroy? . . . Antique collectors are peculiar. One can never tell what the next craze will be. In anticipation of the next change in fashion, I shall begin a prompt buying of barber poles!

alone is offered, what remains for us to do?

The value of truth in advertising copy was recently brought home to me in a splurge of my own doing. As the editor of a house publication for a small book shop in Philadelphia, I must each month write a review of some important book of the month. Willa Cather's "The Professor's House" was chosen for the September review. Beneath the caption, "Reviewed But Not Read," I wrote: "When it was decided that Willa Cather's latest book, 'The Professor's House,' was to be fea-

GRAY MATTER

tured in this issue of Selective Book Notes I found myself suddenly confronted with a most distressing situation: I had not read the book; time did not permit my doing so before we went to press and, furthermore, no copy of the book was available. What to do? Should I review the book, with my tongue in my cheek, and trust that my splurge would sound authentic? Or should I out with the truth and admit that I hadn't read it? I decided on the latter course, not only for my own protection but because I felt that I could write as strongly from the viewpoint of the anticipator as from the standpoint of the reviewer. . . ." Our publication was not out two days before the shop's original stock of twenty-five volumes was depleted and a wire sent to rush a larger order!

WHAT's all this balderdash about one picture being worth a thousand words of copy? Do those who persist in its use utter it in all sincerity? And if they do, why, to prove their point, do they always rely on words? Imagine a salesman's soliciting orders for, say, a washing machine with nothing to show or say but an oil painting of the machine itself! He might create a flurry of interest in a deaf and dumb suburb, but even then it is doubtful that he could close his sale without a knowledge of the hand language. Unfortunately, the picture can not give reasons why, directions for use or a myriad other details that copy can give. The purpose of the picture is the creation of atmosphere the visualization of merchandise; as foolish to expect more of it as to expect the printer to deliver an oration on therapeutics to medical students!

THE PRESENT FASHION in true stories from real life has assumed alarming proportions, as the most cursory examination of any well stocked news stand will betray. I have heard it remarked that these stories are a product of the devil and that they have come to us as a logical result of the demands for immorality which this century requires. I disagree. Such remarks are the oral sloppings of doodlesacks obsessed with the idea that the present generation is always the worst. Old maids have always sweetened their tea with gossip - and the same tea, if we will admit it, is drunk occasionally by each of us. That the true story originated today is a false notion. As early as 1709 there appeared in the London Tatler the following advertisement from the editorial sanctum: "Any ladies who have any particular stories of their acquaintance which they are willing to privately make public, may send 'em by the penny post to Isaac Bickerstaff, Esq., enclosed to Mr. John Morpheu, near Stationers' Hall." . . . Incidentally, it is a rarity to find an advertisement of such compact brevity and simplicity as this. It is a gem which proves that few words, if properly combined, can say a great deal.

I HAD A HAND recently in the preliminary production stages of a de luxe book for one of Philadelphia's leading florists. The question of publication date arose and it was suggested that it might be appropriate to issue the book a few weeks before Christmas. But no sooner had the suggestion been voiced than many pairs of hands flew into the air in utter dismay and many voices cried: "Goodness! That would be tragic. Why, even now we have to pull down the shades in our display windows to hide from the passerby the fact that we sell flowers! We'd take down our sign if it were not so cumbersome. Every Christmas we disappoint scores of people who come to us for flowers." . . . Such a business as this, which must curb its advertising at the peak period, enjoys an enviable position. But it appears to me that the annual turning away and discouraging of increased business will, in time, play havoc. I doubt, if I were this florist, that I should pull my shades more than once. After my first Christmas experience I should endeavor to take steps to care for all that came my way.

WHETHER OR NOT it will be the case, the change in postal rates should be of some benefit to advertising. Those who are responsible for the preparation of direct-mail mediums should now take greater care with its conception. I base this assertion, not on observation, but purely on a knowledge of the inherent streak we all possess of handling with greater care a thing of greater cost. But as this thought is pure supposition and my mails have brought me no indication of its pleasant fulfilment, I can not permit my defense to stand. Analyzed, it is a poor attempt to unearth some redeeming feature of the Congressional Act - a feature I have sought since April 15!

IN A CIRCULAR soliciting a classified ad. in one of the country's most widely circulated magazines, I ran across a testimonial letter which read as follows: "As per your letter of even date, should say I do want to get into next issue. Only wish I had of known of your magazine long ago. . . . Thanking you very kindly for past favors, beg to remain, Yours truly . . ." What under the sun would such an esteemed grammarian be advertising? I read his ad. and fell promptly into a deep and lasting swoon: Strong, Persistent and Convincing copy for Form Letters, Follow-ups, etc." I have at last discovered why some people say that it doesn't pay to advertise!

I tried to borrow "Cytherea," by Joseph Hergesheimer, from my home-town library. I'd swear I heard the librarian gasp as she adjusted her pince-nez and stared me into meek humility. "It's out!" she informed me coldly. "And it won't be back. It's been censored." The incident would not have startled me had I been in the library of, say, Keokuk or Dayton. But I was in the library of West Chester, Pennsylvania, and the book I was demanding had been written by one not four blocks distant from the place. . . . Queer, thought I, how little some celebrities are thought of in their own home towns!

Signature Plates in Printing



HAT'S in a name?" is an old, old query; in fact, it is almost as old as the famous poser, "How old is Ann?" A name may be nothing more than a series of letters, or it may be something full of significance and worth. Whether the name is that of an individual or that of a commodity, it is equally true. The name of every mer-

chant, manufacturer, printer, publisher holds for the printer and for the newspaper a certain amount of business that is not being developed today. More printing and advertising can

be created if the printer and the publisher will stress the importance of the proper and frequent use of the advertiser's signature plate.

As we go back into history we find that certain races have employed various marks of distinction; they have used these marks or symbols for distinction or for prominence. The custom of trade-marks has come down to modern times in the coats-of-arms of European nobility and in the name plates and trade-mark cuts of American business firms. The greatest asset of a manufacturer is the trademark of his product, and the biggest thing in the advertising of a retail store is the store's signature. What has made the names of Hart, Schaffner & Marx, Ivory soap, Valspar, Gold Medal, Victor phonographs, Ford, and hundreds of other nationally known products? Simply nothing more than the manner in which they are displayed, lettered in an attractive style and the constant use of that name.

Take Macy & Co., Lord & Taylor, Marshall Field, Famous Barr, and other leading retail establishments of the country. It will be seen that they use a name plate, something different from the ordinary run of type that is found in the printing office of today. Capitalizing on the store's name is something the competitor can not lift for his own advertising. And this is the story that every printer and advertising man should preach to his clients.

The signature of a retail store is the biggest thing in advertising; it should be played up. Advertisers and customers should be encouraged to secure a specially designed signature that is distinctly their own, and they should be helped to establish this plate as their trade-mark. While the printer is doing this, it will develop additional business for him. How? Let us illustrate this way: The Bootery, a progressive retail shoe store in a certain Missouri town, has capitalized on its name in this manner. A signature plate was secured, one that was easily read and adaptable to all classes of advertising. It was made into one, two and three column plates. The printer who

ordered plates for the newspaper advertising of that store saw the possibility of securing additional business and suggested to the management of the store that the name be tied up not only with its newspaper advertising and direct mail, but that it be printed on stationery, billheads, checks, business cards, sales slips, stickers and several other pieces of printed matter used in promoting business. The merchants took well toward the idea and today this printer is stressing the importance of using the signature plate on all classes of advertising and printing. It has resulted in many hundreds of dollars' worth of business that it was impossible to secure in any other way. A merchant

is proud of his name. If the printer can get him an attractively lettered signature plate he will spend many dollars in additional printing because he will be anxious to display his new designed plate to his trade.

Readers of THE INLAND PRINTER can increase the volume of their business if a little time is given to promoting the proper use of signatures. A very good thought is brought out by the manager of one store, who stated, "I wouldn't think of writing my name in a different style on every check I sign; therefore why should I have it set in different styles of type on various pieces of printed matter and advertising my store sends out? Our name plate is worth thousands of dollars in the accumulation and promotion of our business. People know us by our signature plate, which has been established as our trade-mark. It is a big business asset of our firm." This merchant, who is in the music business, did more than \$4,000 worth of news-



Samples of Advertising Signature Plates

paper advertising and printing last year, all of which was identified by the same signature.

We are illustrating samples of signature plates in use throughout the country by various retail stores. These samples prove that the retail store's signature is coming into its own, and printers who are progressive will encourage merchants and manufacturers to invest in good, distinctive and attractive name plates and trade-marks.

THE INLAND PRINTER extends to its readers a new phase of service in the promotion of the proper use of signatures. We have made arrangements with The Newspaper & Signature Service, Box 231, Hannibal, Missouri, to furnish free of charge to any printer or publisher a pencil drawing of as many name plates as are desired. You may select a list of retail stores who you think would be interested in seeing their names in attractively lettered signature plates, and send it to this service agency, who will make drawings and quote you prices of the finished sketches when approved by the customers.

Experiments in Newspaper Reproduction

By W. LIVINGSTON LARNED, in Printers' Ink



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HEN it was decided to open the new Zion National Park, in the Bryce Canyon and Cedar Breaks section, and tempt the public to discover for itself the amazing marvels of the place, the Union Pacific did some preliminary reasoning in the matter of newspaper campaigns. An imposing list of newspapers was to be used. Conse-

quently the space, after the first two or three displays, had to be small, terminating with two-column and single-column advertisements. Every one knows what a newspaper page is when it comes to display competition. The small advertisement which does not take this competition into consideration is sure to be swamped.

How could Zion Park displays hold their own against this mass of competitive material? At least a half dozen essentials were compulsory. The art technique must be distinctive, different, novel. Here was one vital consideration. There must be some unifying idea which would provide continuity and serialize the campaign. The small advertisements would require absolute originality as to art composition. The power of that small space to "stand out" would depend very largely on the arrangement of the component parts of the advertisement in their relation to other advertising in juxtaposition. The stories to be told were by no means brief, which offered still another problem in typographical arrangement.

But see how shrewdly an advertiser may approach just such a puzzle as this. First came the selection of certain remarkable photographs from which the artist could work, in preparing his original illustrations. They were chosen for their adaptability to strange and unusual compositions. Pinnacles of colored rock might rise up one side of a display. Cathedrals of brilliantly hued stone permitted unique mortises; long-range vistas of canyons automatically framed spaces for

Next came the art technique. With seventy per cent of the advertising illustrations appearing in pen and ink, dry brush or poster blacks, it was obvious that mere duplication of these mediums would not provide the essential individuality. There must be contrast; there must be a technique which would be wholly different from the conventional.

An artist, skilled in landscape subjects, reduced those amazing Bryce Canyon pictures to terms of three bold contrasts: gray, white and black. By wise handling, it was possible to secure poster illustrations of a most striking type. They were painted in lamp black and tempera.

The engraver played an important part at this juncture, for the originals were finally rendered in line drawings, and they sparkled in reproduction. With the use of Ben Days and stippling, high-lighting and other manipulation, the most complex scenic compositions stood the test of newspaper reproduction. Too much may not be said, incidentally, of the more recent investigative efforts of the professional engraver. With perfect sympathy and understanding he has stood by the side of the artist, working in his behalf and intent on making practical that which is created. The handicap has always been: "We can give you individuality of technique, but it will not reproduce successfully on newspaper stock. You will always run a chance."

Lastly, in the Union Pacific Zion Park series, a catch phrase assisted in providing display originality. Because of the beauty of the section and its multihued splendor, it was called "The Color Palette of the Continent." And this phrase was handlettered within an artist's palette, brushes, etc.

Sometimes this palette's outline formed a natural and artistic mortise for text; at other times it was made to hold the illustrative feature.

Typography was distinctive, because of the frames provided by the illustrative compositions. Thus one advertiser met his problem squarely and conquered every difficulty. The Zion Park campaign has attracted attention everywhere because it was "decidedly different."

This last year newspaper advertising has brought us any number of innovations which, but a few years ago, would have been considered out of the question. In almost every case the engraver has had as much to do with the picture as has the artist himself, because the engraver has made difficult subjects practical for poor-paper printing.

A consideration of some of these mediums will prove educational to advertisers who have always longed to put magazine quality into newspaper advertising, with emphasis on the art embellishment.

Although the process is by no means new, comparatively few advertisers appear to understand what can be accomplished through the medium of newspaper halftone effects. And they

are actually not halftones at all, although they suggest them and their realism, where photographic copy has been employed as the base.

The advertiser secures a photograph, let us say, which he feels will make convincing magazine copy. A line drawing from it will not mean the same thing. Much would be lost. He has a list of several hundred newspapers in which this series is to appear. Many of them are admittedly poor as to paper, makeready and printing.

Engravers have found a way by which such subjects can be safely handled, regardless of newspaper conditions. It is somewhat of a roundabout



Art, type and layout all combine to make this advertisement distinctive.

method, but it always proves successful. First, a halftone is made from the original, no retouching having been done on it. This halftone is just one-half smaller than its final scheduled reproduction. Now an artist takes a proof, on glazed paper, and works over it. He touches in blacks, he paints in whites, and then provides emphasis where contrast is essential. If a border or any decorative effect is desired, that is also introduced on the proof.

This done, the engraver makes a line plate from the halftone proof, enlarging it one-half. This, of course, enlarges the halftone screen and makes it possible to do the job on copper or zinc for line production. When you see a "halftone" successfully printed on newspaper stock, the chances are that it has been handled in this manner. It is not actually a halftone, although the original was that.

That advertisers should seek ways and means of arriving at a practical application of the halftone medium for newspapers is not to be wondered at. Many things there are which seem to demand this touch of realism. No line illustration serves the same purpose. There's something missing, always.

The use of Ben Day has increased recently, because advertisers have learned how to apply it. The Ben Day book is alluring. There are innumerable patterns, and they seem to

indicate character which would be impossible without it. But these patterns are not always to be trusted. As applied to the actual original drawing, where reduction is required, they are nearly always dangerous. This reduction makes a considerable change in their character. They muss up.

But designating where areas of Ben Day are to be employed on a tissue overlay and having the engraver attend to this detail means all the difference in the world. This brings a faithful replica of the pattern as you see it on the pattern tabs. There is no reduction whatever.

Ben Day treated in this way is actual size. The tone is printed right on the metal itself. There is no opportunity for deception or misunderWas on the Macrosery Protections, very boars as a carbo for it represents a dense content of the content of the

The engraver made his plates directly from the artist's original pencil sketches.

standing. Thus, an illustration for newspaper use is drawn almost in pen outline, and the artist himself suggests where these tones and patterns are to be introduced. The engraver does the rest, following his color chart and the numbers in the Ben Day book.

High-light halftones have been the salvation of advertisers who grow restive under the restraint of pen and ink and its inevitable sameness. It is no more than a drop-out of whites, thereby making sure that what the artist draws is reproduced exactly.

But now the artist may use pencil, crayon or charcoal and need not fear, even if there be areas which would seem to call for halftone plates of the most subtle character. What he sets down on paper will be finally shown on the newspaper page, and there will be no smudging.

This year it was decided to advertise Monterey Peninsula in all California newspapers and in newspapers of states which were adjacent. It was a home community and the picturesque character of the place was the one thing the advertiser had to sell. Pictures were, indeed, more important than words.

An artist was sent out on a sketching tour of this beautiful realm and the newspaper illustrations were made by the engraver direct from his original pencil sketches, in a sketch pad.

They still held all the charm of their first spontaneous artistry when they appeared in newspapers. And, better still, they resembled no other series of advertisements in the newspapers. There was that marked difference so important in newspaper advertising today.

A series of two-column newspaper advertisements has attracted attention because of the art technique employed, despite the fact that there was nothing startlingly new in the process. The engraver deserved the real praise.

Heads of people drinking coffee were shown large in the two-column space, and originally drawn in black silhouette. The engraver, however, stippled them in his platemaking, ran Ben Day patterns across them, leaving certain portions in solid black, and the result was most interesting.

There is a tendency to get away from the conventional line illustration for newspaper use. These unique techniques, however, are always a perfect collaboration between the artist and the engraver. The former has in mind what the latter can and will do. And he works accordingly.

HOUSE-ORGANS AS ADVERTISING MEDIUMS

By CHARLES P. RODMAN

Omaha printers, interviewed by this writer, are sturdy boosters for the house-organ to advertise their own businesses. They have used other advertising, but the general experience places the house-organ far in the lead.

The mainstay of the Acorn Press, A. J. Samuelson, manager, is a four-page house-organ sent to the trade and to all that are judged to be in line as future prospects. This piece of literature is peculiar in that only one-fourth of it is given over to advertising the house, three pages being devoted to telling the world what some other fellow did in the advertising field. This shop employs sixty-five persons and recently has been compelled to keep the plant going twenty-four hours a day. Mr. Samuelson assures us all these people are virtually dependent on the monthly four-page (pages 9 by 12 inches) printed solicitor for their wages.

The K. B. Printing Company, Omaha, ran a newspaper campaign for three years, but did not find it a paying investment, according to Joe B. Redfield, president of the company. Although blotters, cards, etc., are used, this company finds the K. B. Printer by far its best advertising instrument. This is a sixteen-page house-organ. This little booklet carries a page about 5 by 7 inches and is filled with short articles of genuine information to the man who needs good stationery or who may be on the verge of entering the direct-mail advertising field. The articles generally are backed up with facsimile letters from customers who had tried the K. B. Printing Company and found it good. "This," said Mr. Redfield, "shows the prospective customer that it is not all wind on our part. The day is past when people take a simple statement for the truth. You make your statement and then prove it if you desire to win.

"We try to impress our customers with the idea that the real printer will steal neither for nor from the customer. Why, this house even goes so far in aiding the customer that we repeatedly turn down work when we know a specialty house can supply the customer more cheaply. This is done in the face of the fact that he is willing to give us the work at a price that would make a good profit.

"Our advertising is intended more to make friends than as a distinct selling method. The high-powered salesmanship that is talked about so much has no place in this organization. Let your advertising carry the personality of the house, give the prospect a friendly idea of what he may expect when he does decide to come over and be one with us. Friendship is not only the greatest thing on earth as existing between man and man, but it is also the only thing that will get you business in any line; that is the kind of business worth having."

There conceivably are printers for whom the house-organ is not the most logical advertising medium, but various Omaha printers find it productive both in theory and in practice.

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THE great art of writing advertisements is finding the proper method to catch the reader's eye, without which a good thing may pass unobserved.— Joseph Addison.

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By FRANK O. SULLIVAN

Problems pertaining to Offset Lithography will be discussed under this heading with a view to offering practical assistance, and to the widest possible dissemination of accurate information regarding the offset process.

Photolithography and Offset Lithography

Part XI.—By Frank O. Sullivan

In 1924 Joseph Goodman, an English authority on lithography, wrote the following: "Another factor that keeps the offset lithographer in the forefront is the powerful 'duplicating' means which he has at his disposal. The step-andrepeat mechanical appliance, which enables him to multiply expeditiously and perfectly a single original with faithful surety up to mammoth sizes of sheet, is a craft possession of inestimable value. By its aid, every unit becomes an original, sharp and clean, without thickening. Machine plates can be liberated for constant use, and yet a new edition can be speedily reprepared at any and every time that requirement may call for it, even through the intervening space of years."

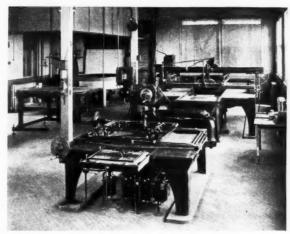
We can not get away from the fact that we are living in a photomechanical age and that the tendency is growing more and more toward that method of reproduction in the offset-lithographing field. The two photomechanical machines described this month are the inventions of practical lithographers—Ashley G. Ogden and Ellis Bassist. The descriptions are furnished by the American Machine & Foundry Company and the F. Wesel Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of these machines.

OGDEN MULTIPLE DUPLICATING MACHINE. - Hand transfer is, at best, a slow and laborious job, containing within itself no absolute guaranty of accuracy of register. Any work that must be laid out "by eye" must necessarily suffer in this respect, as well as in uniformity of the various units on the plate. The Ogden machine overcomes these difficulties with surprising ease. The design to be transferred is placed fixedly in the machine in the form of a glass-plate or film negative, or a proof on transparent material, and the metal printing plate is moved above it to any desired position by means of two screw-threaded shafts set at right angles to each other. Accurate micrometer controls permit this position to be attained within limits of one one-thousandth part of an inch in either direction. The entire operation of setting the plate in position is done mechanically, and may be checked visually by vernier scales integrally mounted. Heavy V-slides that have been machined to absolute 90° angular relation insure perfect squareness and alignment.

When plate and negative are brought into proper relation, a positive action pressure arm brings both into uniform contact; the exposure is made by lighting an arc lamp under the negative. Consequently the design is photographically and mechanically transferred to any predetermined position on the plate with an accuracy and uniformity not possible by hand-transferring methods. A series of transfers may be made at various positions on the plate, each transfer an original, with

a speed that is limited only by the time required to move the plate mechanically from position to position, plus the time required to make the exposure. In actual practice this entire operation seldom totals more than three minutes.

This is, essentially, the process of machine duplicating. But a further step in speeding up production may be made



Ogden Duplicating Machines in the Plant of Stecher Lithographing Company, Rochester

with this machine by the process of building up a multiple negative, or a negative which contains in itself several duplications of the original design. A simple dry-plate attachment (set in place in less than five minutes) enables the operator to make a multiple or built-up negative in the same manner as the transfer of a design in duplicate to the printing plate herein described. It is from this combination process that the Ogden machine derives its descriptive title, "Multiple Duplicating Machine."

Halftone work is reproduced with faithfulness of tone gradation, due to working directly from the halftone negatives; the several plates required in colorwork are made to register so perfectly that the colors of the original design, as corrected by the artist, are reproduced more accurately. Four colors generally suffice where six are necessary by the hand-transfer process.

The Ogden machine is essentially a machine of precision. All the parts are designed and assembled with a view to producing work of the highest degree of accuracy. Yet it is a very simple machine to operate, and it makes possible the

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production of plates of the highest quality, by men new to lithography, after a short period of instruction. The feature of daylight operation, fully covered by the original patents, contributes not only to the comfort of the operator, but insures the registration of the negative and the measurement of the plate being made under the most favorable conditions.



Fig. 1.-Wesel-Bassist Negative Registering Device.

Plates made on the Ogden machine in accordance with the special processes perfected for its use will give at least as many impressions as the best hand-transfer plates, and usually more, because of the superior quality of the transfer. In hand-transferring, it is the custom to "rub up" the plate to meet the tone gradation requirements of the heaviest transfer, thus destroying much of the value of the lighter portions of the design. With the Ogden machine every print from a negative is an absolute original; mechanical reproductions can not vary, and sharpness is not sacrificed for uniformity. In general, the final cost of Ogden-made plates is less than one-third that of hand-transfer work, with due allowance made for the investment in, and operation of, the machine.

The first practically successful method for securing negatives for machine transfer of commercial work from existing stone or copper or steel plate engravings, without the use of a camera, was developed as a process of this machine. In this process, a single transfer of the design to be put on the press plate is used to secure a transparent positive. From this positive a negative is made by contact exposure, and used like any other negative in printing to the press plate in the machine.

Another process perfected as a result of the Ogden method is the making of a negative for lithographic transfer directly from a pen-and-ink sketch, or proof of a line cut, type set-up, or halftone engraving. This process makes it possible to produce by lithography, with great saving of time and cost, all classes of work which are now commonly produced by the type press.

The Ogden multiple duplicating machine is made in four convenient sizes, to suit the needs of all lithographic plants. These sizes run from a machine which takes negatives up to 14 by 17 inches and printing plates up to 32 by 37 inches, to one which takes negatives up to 20 by 24 inches and printing plates up to 49 by 67 inches.

The three smaller machines are operated by hand, the largest being electrically driven and controlled.

The American Machine & Foundry Company maintains a complete platemaking department at its plant in Brooklyn, with two Ogden machines in operation. These are at the service of any lithographer for demonstration purposes and are used to make plates for the lithographer's own jobs.

Wesel-Bassist Multiple Transferring Device.— Ellis Bassist, a trained lithographer, a protege of Professor Albert of Vienna, conceived the idea of perfecting a simple step-and-repeat machine that would be void of micrometer adjustment and intricate machinery, and yet so simple that any mechanic or transfer man could learn to operate it in the minimum amount of time. With the aid and coöperation of a staff of engineers in the plant of the F. Wesel Manufacturing Company, such a machine was perfected the early part of this year. This new machine is a complete offset platemaking equipment, consisting of two parts: an illuminated, glass-top positioning or registering device, and a multiple transferring unit.

Each operation on the negative registering device is based on the principle of registering all negatives to one fixed point. With a color job, for example, the negative holder is placed on the top of the ground glass, covering the registering table (Fig. 1) and securely clamped. The key plate or yellow negative is then placed on the negative holder. The table is equipped with incandescent lights, which enables the operator to locate the registering marks. With the aid of the movable bridge shown on the registering device (Fig. 2) the negative is then positioned. Permanent registering marks are located on each end of the movable bridge and are manipulated so as to coincide with the registering marks on the negative. At each end of the movable bridge is located a vernier scale that enables the operator to register to one one-thousandth part of an inch - so fine is the adjustment - and almost instantly the registering marks on the bridge coincide with those on the negative. This position is secured by the aid of a set of thumb screws and the reading is recorded on a sheet of paper. There remains then only the vertical registering marks to be made

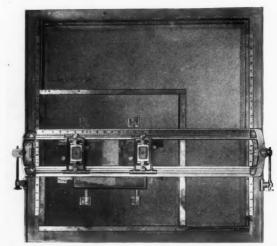


Fig. 2.—Showing movable bridge on Wesel-Bassist Negative Registering Device

to coincide with a similar vernier scale on the movable bridge. This reading is also recorded on a sheet of paper.

This registering operation is accomplished in less than one minute, is absolutely foolproof and eliminates every possibility of error or inaccuracy. The reading for each succeeding color is the same and will register exactly with the key plate. The next move is the removal of the negative holder from the registering table and the placing of the holder in the multiple

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transferring machine in exact position for the first exposure for printing. There is another advantage in the negative registering device; that is, while the yellow plate is being photocomposed in the transferring machine, the second color negative can be prepared for printing and thus save considerable time between each two colors. The simplicity of the machine lies in the fact that it is worked entirely on the block system; that is, every time the negative is moved to each succeeding position the negative holder carrying the negative is locked into a fixed point that is so accurately placed that a double print

can be made on any part of the printing plate and be produced line for line and dot for dot.

Each of three sides of the machine is equipped with steel tracks into which the record bars accurately fit. These record bars are also grooved to hold sliding blocks of small steel furniture that enable the operator to make a complete layout on the record bars before placing them in the transferring machine. Before each succeeding step the negative holder is locked into a fixed position, the exposure made, unlocked and moved to the next position, where it is again locked, and so on until the first row is photocomposed. The backward movement for the next line of prints is worked on the same system of blocks as that used in printing the first line - always arriving at a fixed point on the record bars.

Each machine is equipped with six record bars and forty-eight sliding pieces. Additional record bars and sliding pieces can be furnished at extra cost to the customer desiring them. The advantage in having extra bars lies in the fact that any job that comes in as a repeat order at stated intervals can be recorded on a set of these bars as the first layout, then put away, and when the repeat order comes in, all that is necessary is to

place these in the machine, and all is set to go ahead. This saves considerable time in the placing of the sliding pieces or blocks in accurate positions.

The negative holder consists of two parts, an inner and an outer frame. The outer frame remains in the machine at all times, while the inner frame, on which the negative is fastened, is removed when changing from one color to another or from one job to another.

There are two sizes of negative holders furnished with each machine, size 13 by 13, and 18 by 18 inches. In order to accommodate these two sizes of negative holders, two connecting rods are furnished with which to widen or make smaller the steel tracks in which the negative holders move. This operation takes but a moment to make the change, and is accomplished by the simple turning of two set screws on the connecting rods.

Fig. 4 shows the Wesel-Bassist frame in position ready for closing so as to apply the vacuum for printing. Zinc plates

in the upper frame are clamped and held firmly with specially constructed clamps, preventing any possible movement of the metal plate in lifting or closing the upper frame. The clamps can be set in any position to insure every plate's coming to the same position. By this is meant that the margins for a certain press, such as gripper margins, can be set and maintained at all times and if desired can be readily changed for other makes of offset presses almost instantly. It is also possible to make step-and-repeat negatives with this device. When glass is used for this purpose, special clamps are required for

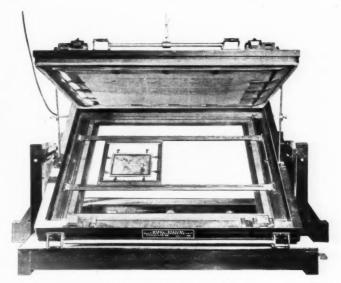


Fig. 3 .- Wesel-Bassist Multiple Transferring Machine.

holding the glass in the position of the zinc plate. In the illustration you will note the vacuum pump is on the left side of the frame. This is not necessary. The pump and motor can be placed on a shelf near the ceiling and out of the way, and simply piped to the frame.

Fig. 5 shows the frame clamped and ready to be tilted in a vertical position for printing purposes. Note the wire coming to the front handle of the frame. This is the balancing element of the frame, permitting the operator to tip the frame in a horizontal position or a vertical position without any effort. Also note that the entire frame is protected with steel plates against warping or springing. Also note the locking device which insures the frame locking into positive positions



Fig. 4.- Frame in position ready for closing.

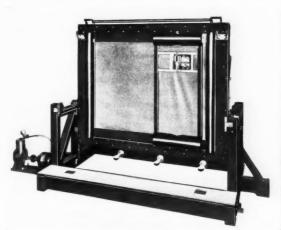


Fig. 5.- Frame clamped ready to be tilted.

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at all times. In this position you will also note the necessity of having incandescent lights underneath to permit the operator to see whether the negatives or the printing-frame glass is clean and free of dirt. It also guides him in his shift. The

locking device is controlled by a long bronze lever which is readily seen in the illustration, which permits the locking of the four corners simultaneously with one shift of the lever. The opening of the frame is controlled in the same way.

Objective of Lithographic Foundation Reached

By ROBERT TYLER



OSEPH DEUTSCH, chairman of the Endowment Fund National Campaign Committee of the Lithographic Technical Foundation, announces a total of over \$670,000 pledged to that movement. This means that the first objective of \$600,000 has been reached and that the campaign is now marching toward the next milestone

in Mr. Deutsch's plans, the obtaining of \$750,000 in subscriptions before the campaign closes in December.

Income from the endowment fund will be used to maintain the twofold program of scientific research in a laboratory already established at the University of Cincinnati; and the training of executives and craftsmen by the coöperative method of education, which has been so successfully demonstrated by Dean Herman Schneider of the College of Engineering, University of Cincinnati.

The subscription which carried the total over the \$600,000 mark was made by Arthur Bentley, president of the Miehle Printing Press & Manufacturing Company, when he handed to Mr. Deutsch a pledge for \$20,000 in addition to one previously made of \$5,000. When this subscription was received it automatically made effective a joint pledge of \$50,000 by Joseph P. Knapp, chairman of the board, and L. A. Ettlinger, treasurer of the American Lithographic Company, which was conditional upon \$600,000 being subscribed before December 31, 1925.

At a campaign dinner held at the Muehlebach Hotel, Kansas City, October 28, speeches were made by A. E. Broadston, production superintendent of the United States Printing & Lithographing Company, Cincinnati; Mr. Deutsch; Robert Tyler, field representative; Judge E. Allen Frost, general counsel of the Poster Advertising Association; W. W. Workman, of Richmond, retiring president, and H. F. O'Melia, of Jersey City, incoming president of the Poster Advertising Association. Franklin D. Crabbs, president of the Union Bank Note Company, presided.

Mr. Deutsch conferred in Chicago recently with G. M. Markham, president, and W. S. Hulbig, secretary, of the Canadian Lithographers Association, and arrangements are now in negotiation for a dinner in the interest of the campaign to be held in Toronto, December 11, in connection with the annual meeting of the Dominion association. Mr. Markham, who is president of the Federated Press, in Montreal, and Mr. Hulbig, were enthusiastic about the program of the foundation and expressed it as their opinion that Canadian members of the industry will welcome an opportunity to take part.

The Poster Advertising Association, at its convention in Kansas City, October 26 to 30, gave its endorsement to the foundation. At the session on the morning of October 28, Mr. Broadston and Mr. Deutsch addressed the delegates, who numbered between six and seven hundred. Both speakers stressed that out of the foundation program will come better posters, from the standpoint of faithful reproduction as well as the standpoint of durability, because of better inks and paper. Mr. Broadston went into detail of the technique of poster production and pointed out many conditions that can be bettered

by scientific examination of problems involved. Mr. Deutsch brought a message of coöperation by related industries amounting to approximately twenty-six per cent of the total amount subscribed to the endowment fund. Two days later the Executive Committee of the Poster Advertising Association made its subscription to the endowment fund.

The New York city dinner was held at the Waldorf-Astoria on Tuesday, November 17, to which members of the industry and the allied trades in New York city and vicinity were invited. The committee that made the arrangement for this meeting, under the leadership of the chairman, A. E. Winger, president of the American Lithographic Company, was made up of Charles W. Frazier, Albert J. Ford, R. R. Heywood, Le Roy Latham and Alfred B. Rode.

This was the final meeting in the campaign and was marked by a good deal of enthusiasm because the \$600,000 objective had been greatly exceeded. Among the speakers were Dean Herman Schneider, of the University of Cincinnati; Joseph Deutsch; R. V. Mitchell, president of the Harris Automatic Press Company; Le Roy Latham, president of the Latham Lithographing & Printing Company; Alfred B. Rode, president of Rode & Brand, who is also president of the Lithographic Technical Foundation, and Judge E. Allen Frost, president of the Poster Advertising Association of Chicago. As the forms for this issue of The Inland Printer were closed before news of the meeting could be sent, details will follow later.

NEW COLOR-NEGATIVE REGISTERING DEVICE

Every one knows just what it means to match a negative into exact register after the setting or focus of the camera has been disturbed. Much maneuvering, measuring, time and patience is wasted in the effort. An ingenious method came to our notice just recently which will be welcomed by those who have had the irritating experience of remaking a color negative because of breakage or some other equally exasperating reason. The new Wesel-Bassist color-negative registering device — which can be mounted on any camera — is a simple little invention. It consists of a steel bar mounted on the side of the camera with two indicators, one on the lens board and the other on the plateholder frame. They are engaged into two steel blocks, being fastened in position after the image is focused. These blocks can always be moved back into position again within one one-thousandth of an inch; thereby the lens and the sensitive surface are brought to the former position, striking the exact size without measuring.

The final screen negatives can be made from each color positive without waiting until the entire set is finished. Herein lies its great value to the color lithographer. For example, the yellow positive can be photographed, plate made and proved before the red is started. This enables the retoucher to have a color proof before him for finishing his succeeding colors, thus helping him to follow the progress of the job from color to color. The time element for submitting proofs is also considerably shortened. The proving progresses as fast as the positives are retouched. By the old method, the final negatives could be started only after the positives were finished.

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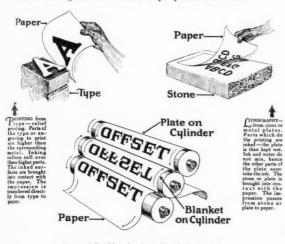
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The A B C of Offset Lithography

The title of this latest contribution to offset lithography is "Offset, That Something Different in Advertising," published by the Harris Automatic Press Company. Without question, the book gives the best explanation, issued up to this time, of what offset lithography is. There are no technical phrases to confuse the reader, but in simple language he is told what offset is, the principles under which the designs, in black and white, and color, are printed upon the paper; of the advantages of this method of lithography in advertising, direct-mail literature, four-page letterheads, folders, package inserts, catalogues, posters, hangers, cutouts, jumbo ads., street-car cards, blotters and mailing cards.

Offset is a process of putting words and pictures on paper. It is not strictly printing—neither is it strictly lithography. In both printing and lithography the printing plate or stone is brought into direct contact with the paper—the impression goes directly from plate or stone to paper.

In offset, however, the impression goes first from the plate to a rubber blanket and then from the blanket to the paper. Due partly to this intermediate step, the blanket, advertisers obtain "that something different" when they "produce it offset."



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The Offset Process Explained in a Graphic Manner

Briefly, offset reproduces faithfully the exact blends and hues of the original. It reflects the artistic feeling of the artist—his masterful way of handling depths of color.

By offset you obtain a soft, natural effect that is individual to offset alone. You obtain an effect that presents your product and its surroundings in a convincing manner. This is the correct way to use color. When it is used the other way the recipient feels that color has been used merely in a strained attempt to flag his passing eye. To a great extent, color is used in the advertising of fruits and foods. Here, the most important appeal is the picture—if it looks natural. That is why almost every direct-mail advertisement of food products is produced offset. At a recent food show in Cleveland, ninety per cent of all the literature was produced offset.

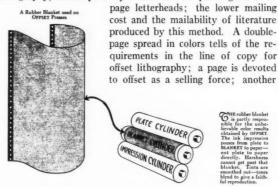
Because the rubber blanket is pliable, it shapes itself to the contour of the paper. This is why you can produce by offset halftones, color, or any other kind of work, upon rough, mat finished offset papers.

Dull papers please the eye. Readers concentrate upon your message, not upon the paper. School books produced on offset paper save children's eyes.

Offset paper is thick for its weight. An offset advertisement produced on seventy-pound stock has that feeling of quality which you experience when you handle a one-hundred-pound coated

stock. As it has been expressed, an offset circular has a "business-like poise"—it induces reading. Although sixty-pound offset stock makes a thicker book than seventy-pound enamel, it takes fewer pounds of paper.

The pamphlet dwells instructively on the inks used in offset lithography, the adaptability of this kind of printing for four-



The Rubber Blanket as Used on Harris Offset Presses

to the wide range in size, up to twenty-four-sheet posters, that is obtainable by this method.

The Harris Automatic Press Company is to be congratulated on its foresight in giving, not only to the printing world but also to the public, this admirable explanation of a method of printing that is still in its infancy — offset lithography.

Lithographic Topics

By "SULLY"

A VERV attractive and unusual piece of advertising literature has been issued by the "Bonds of Hartford." The name of Bond lends itself and makes possible this kind of advertising, for it is made to represent an actual bond. It is lithographed by the offset method on bond paper; the inside shows the three Bond hotels located in Hartford; the coupons represent the many advantages and conveniences offered the traveling public, and on the reverse side are fourteen "Memory Pictures From Incomparable Hartford." These latter are very well executed thumb-nail sketches of the historical and interesting sights to be seen in and around this Connecticut city. The work was done by The Graphic Arts Company, which is to be congratulated on a clever piece of advertising.

Last month, in this department, there appeared an article telling of the new method employed by the Intaglio Lithoplate Corporation in the making of a durable plate for offset lithography. Since that article appeared it has been my good fortune to see the results obtained from two 44 by 64 inch plates — one printed with the regular albumen solution without any added treatment, and the other being treated by the method employed by the Intaglio Lithoplate Corporation. The difference in the printed sheets was very marked. There was a clearness and distinctness resulting from the deposited zinc plate that was lacking to a marked degree in the regular plate. The dark tones and shadows invariably filled up on the sheet printed with the ordinary plate, while the treated plate brought out all the high-lights and solid tones with perfect clearness.

There has been no endurance test as yet to show how long one of these plates will stand up, but it is reasonable to suppose that it will endure as long as the run lasts.



This department is designed particularly for the review of technical publications pertaining to the printing industry. The Inland Printer Company will receive and transmit orders for any book or publication. A list of technical books kept in stock will be found in our catalogue, a copy of which will be sent upon request.

The Buckeye Book of Direct Advertising By Carl Richard Greer

WE wish we had received this Buckeye book before we wrote the editorial in the November issue of THE INLAND PRINTER. "In Praise of the Paper Man." It is well worth a place in the record of praiseworthy deeds to help the printer. But it came too late. The book is dedicated "To the enlargement of public knowledge of advertising and printing and the convenience of all who practice these noble arts." This is amplified by the following paragraph in the preface: "We are hopeful that our friends may find in this book sound guidance in the preparation and use of direct advertising presented in a form that will be convenient and lucid. We offer, then, a working manual of direct advertising, adapted, we trust, to the daily needs of the buyers and builders of direct advertising. In it we have tried to include all the essential principles of sound and successful advertising, with a sufficient account of the literary and mechanical technique of advertising to enable the reader to apply these principles to his own problems with some assurance of a satisfactory outcome as to both costs and results."

It is a fine piece of work Mr. Greer here has produced. He has covered every known phase of direct advertising with practical information about means and processes in printing and engraving, augmenting the written word by appropriate illustrations. It's a work that the Buckeye people have reason to be proud of. Like all other Buckeye publications, the book is sent free to printers and others who may be interested.

THE BUCKEYE BOOK OF DIRECT ADVERTISING. By Carl Richard Greer. 222 pages, 6 by 9, board covers. Beckett Paper Company, Hamilton, Ohio.

The Fleuron No. 4

The Fleuron is an annual journal of typography, edited by Oliver Simon, at 101 Great Russell street, London, England. In the present issue Stanley Morrison uses forty-three pages in discussing "Script Types," illustrating the article with halftones and zincs; this is, of course, the most important article in the book. There are five other articles, besides book and typographical reviews, of special interest to us Americans being "On the Work of Bruce Rogers," by Frederic Warde, which is illustrated with examples of Bruce Rogers' work,

The book is set in twelve-point Caslon and printed on an Abbey Mills watermarked

laid stock with wide margins, giving a pleasing effect. The headings are set in thirty-point Caslon, which does not give a pleasing effect, especially where they are long, one filling four lines. A fourteenpoint Caslon would have been much more

Other Books Received

Similes and Their Use. A collection of prose, poetic and biblical similes in the English language. By Grenville Kleiser. Funk & Wagnalls Company, New York city. 381 pages. \$2 net.

Rahwedia. A true romance of the South Seas. By C. Harold Smith. Published by D. Appleton & Co., New York city, \$2.50.

appropriate and would have served the purpose better, it seems to us. Other typographical defects are pages ending with divided words and pages ending with the first line of a paragraph. A "journal of typography" should have no such defects.

The American agent for The Fleuron is Stanley Mott, The Chaucer Head, 32 West Forty-seventh street, New York city.

Cost Accounting By W. B. Lawrence, C.P.A.

The author is a practical printer, and an organization man with an enviable record. He was secretary of a state printers' organization in Ohio before the advent of the U.T.A. as a "live" organization. During the first year or two of the three-year plan of the U.T.A. he was one of the organization field men, helping to organize such "live" locals as Grand Rapids, Columbus and Baltimore. For the last two or three years he has been director of the cost work of the American Photoengravers' Association. In the preface Mr. Lawrence says:

This book is intended as a course in cost accounting and as a reference for cost accountants and executives in manufacturing enterprises. It deals with the theories upon which the procedure of cost accounting is based and endeavors to give a practical application of these theories to present-day manufacturing conditions. This method of development is that of a discussion of the necessity for cost accounting and of the importance of detailed financial statements, followed by a general view of the subject, after which the details of procedure are worked out.

The book itself bears witness to the fact that this promise has been carried out both practically and eloquently.

Cost Accounting. By W. B. Lawrence, C.P.A. 528 pages, 6 by 9, cloth cover. Prentice-Hall, Incorporated. New York city. \$5.

The Romance of the Amalgamated Press Compiled by George Dilnot

THE AMALGAMATED PRESS of Lon-THE AMALGAMATER And I largest don is undoubtedly the world's largest mullishing 10 publishing house. It is now publishing 10.3 daily, weekly and monthly publications, including the Times, the Daily Mail and the Daily Mirror. Approximately one person in four of the population of the British Isles buys one copy of its publications each week; it is improbable that there is a single home in the country, however remote, not familiar with one or more of its many publications. Figures that stagger the imagination are commonplaces in its everyday routine; of paper alone it uses some thirtyfive thousand tons a year; of ink enough is used yearly to float several of England's largest battleships. And the building of this immense organization covers a span of less than forty years.

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Like a number of other giant concerns, it had a small and precarious beginning. It was in 1888 that Alfred Harmsworth, then a lad of twenty-three years, welded together the first link in the huge chain, Answers to Correspondence, in a twelvefoot room in Paternoster square. Its object was, as the title may indicate, to answer all questions submitted to its editor. It lingered between life and death for many months, but the enthusiasm and perseverance of its owner, who later became worldfamous as Viscount Northcliffe, finally brought it success. From then on followed success after success for the young publisher, culminating in the organization of the Amalgamated Press in 1922. It is this romance that is pictured in the book.

The book itself is as magnificent as the organization of whose romance it is a record. The pages are 10 by 13 inches, printed on a deckle-edge laid stock of a fine texture. Together with the inserts on a heavy cover stock with tissue covering there are nearly 200 pages in the book. The cover is buckram with levant morocco back and corners, hand-tooled with gold.

A Compendium of Compound Words Compiled by P. O. Landon

A vest-pocket compendium of compound and hyphenated words appearing in Webster's International Dictionary. It will be of great assistance to proofreaders and printers. A study of the foreword is necessary because certain classes of words are not listed. 104 pages, cloth cover. Homestead Company, Des Moines. \$1.50.

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By E. M. KEATING

The experiences of composing-machine operators, machinists and users are solicited, with the object of the widest possible dissemination of knowledge concerning the best methods of obtaining results. Replies to inquiries will be made by mail when accompanied by return postage.

Doubtful Innovations

A trade compositor in one of the eastern cities writes that Robert T. Williams, of the Department of Research, United Typothetae of America, delivered an address on "How Standardization Can Help" at the last convention of the International Trade Composition Association. In this address Mr. Williams said:

(1) "Another field for investigation which should interest the trade compositor . . . is the question of revising keyboards on composing machines; namely, revising them with a view toward an increasing use of logotypes on keyboards. I know that the logotype question has been talked about, neglected, thrown in the sink ever since old man Gutenberg's day, and that in hand composition the complexity of the case which would result from the use of logotypes would destroy any time saving that might be gained by them, but in a composing machine that would not be true, and the use of certain logotypes such as 'th' and 'ing' on a composing machine keyboard would result in a considerable saving of time." Is this true?

(2) "Another field for standardization which would interest the trade compositor is the correction of the present basis for figuring machine composition. I think we are agreed, at least lots of us are, that the em basis is an anachronism. The em has little or no relation to the actual work done in setting matter on the machine. It seems if you want to get at the time it takes you to do any operation the first thing you should start with is the operation itself.

"Composition, obviously, is manufactured on a character basis, and the time it takes a piece of matter to be set is dependent upon the number of characters or keys which the operator has to strike, and it seems to me that the true basis for time records on composition should be determined from a character basis and not from an em basis. It takes no longer, as far as I know, to set a capital 'M' than it does a lower case 'i,' but it gives you considerably more ems if you do much of it." Is this information to be depended upon?

Answer.— (1) No, it is not true, nor is it feasible. The keyboard of a linotype or an intertype has ninety keys, and every one of them is sorely needed for the present layout. It would not be practical to add another row of keys. Then where should these logotypes be placed? And even if room could be found on the keyboard, what about the magazine? The keyboard is merely the functional part releasing characters in the different channels of the magazine. There is not a single empty channel at the present time; in fact, numerous characters are stacked on the pi-board and must be put into the assembler by hand when needed. Where, then, would there be room for added characters in the form of logotypes?

(2) It may be "agreed among lots" of laymen who know nothing about the operation of the typesetting machine except what they have obtained second-hand, "that the em basis is an

anachronism." But it surely is not "agreed" among those who know. Mr. Williams is at fault when he says, "It takes no longer, so far as I know, to set a capital 'M' than it does a lower case 'i.'" The lower-case "i" has practically a straight drop into the assembler, while the capital "M" must travel nearly the full length of the assembler belt. This is further proved by the fact that composition in all capitals is double-price matter. Besides, this idea of character measurement was a topic of discussion in the old hand-set days, before the typesetting machines became factors in composing-room practices. And it was nearly unanimously discarded as impractical. Innovations are admirable when they are founded on physical, mechanical or technical possibilities; otherwise, they are merely boresome annoyances.

Applying Spring to Font Distinguisher Stud

An operator desires to apply a new spiral spring to the font distinguisher. He also wants to know the manner of correcting the noise made by the first elevator jaws when entering the top guide.

Answer.- You state you are not using the font distinguisher, but do not tell us whether it is in the box or just turned out of position. If the font distinguisher is in the box but turned out of use, the spring may be readily applied by (1) removing the distributor box, and (2) withdrawing the font distinguisher from the box. This is done by loosening the small screw which holds the plate (G-1806) and by turning the long rod (G-1074) so that the font distinguisher can be drawn through the hole provided in the back plate lower rail (G-645). When the font distinguisher is out you may either thread the spiral spring (G-1218) on the rod and over both the plate and font distinguisher, or you may unscrew the short stud rod (G-615) from the long stud rod and then put the spring on the long stud rod (G-1074), followed by the plate (G-1806) and short stud rod. When this is done, reverse the operation of removing and the parts are again in position. If the groove in the font distinguisher block is full of dust, it may be cleaned, when the box is out, by a squirt of gasoline from a small can.

To decrease the noise made by the first elevator when it enters the upper guide, you will only need to graphite the surfaces that are under frictional contact when the noise occurs. With the magazine brush and dry graphite rub the front surface of the intermediate bar on the top guide. Hold the brush in a horizontal position and press up as far as it will go. Also use the brush with graphite in the jaws of the first elevator. If this is done daily, it will reduce the noise to a minimum. About once a week apply a liquid solution of gasoline and graphite to the duplex rail. As the gasoline quickly evaporates, it leaves the graphite as a lubricating medium where the parts rub under pressure. There need be no fear that the graphite so applied will get on the matrix lugs.

Squirt From Head-Letter Mold

An operator states that he removed a small block from near the upper left corner of his head-letter mold pocket, and although he had an advertising mold in use he had a bad squirt when he forgot and used the filling piece when casting a mixed line. He wants to know how it happened, as he understood that the cams would stop if a circumstance of that kind arose.

Answer.-The block attached to the mold disk adjacent to all display or head-letter molds is associated with the plate attached to the back of the first elevator back jaw. If you are using a head-letter mold and you fail to throw the filling piece over to the right before sending in the line, the cams should be stopped by the vise automatic, because the upper end of the block comes into the path of the first elevator, and the plate on the back jaw of the first elevator alights on the block. In some instances the block on the mold comes forward and strikes against the plate, thus causing the clutch to slip instead of throwing the clutch out of action, as it is supposed to do. Put the block on the disk and do not draw the disk so far forward, and it will not strike the justification bar brace when you are turning the disk. The cause of the squirt is due to a double elevation of the matrices in the auxiliary position. When you place the filling piece to the right, it causes the lower lugs of the matrices assembled in normal position to enter the auxiliary groove in the mold keeper. If some of the matrices in a line are raised to the auxiliary position and the rest of the line remains in normal position, it causes the raised lugs to be struck by the mold body when it advances. This, of course, prevents a close union between the surface of the mold and the back edge of the matrices. The metal naturally can not be held in the mold cell when there is so much space open at the front of the mold, and the squirt is the result of this condition. An accident of this character usually occurs but once to an operator.

Screw Breaks Off

An operator writes as follows: "The distributor shifter slide stop screw has been broken off on three of the four linotype machines I have operated. Don't you think it would be a good idea to lock the distributor shifter slide with the latch when recasting to any great extent? It seems to me that this ought to help somewhat, as the slide strikes the screw with considerable force."

Answer.—This occurrence has been noted, but it appears to be associated with a quick return to normal position of the cams by hand after they were backed up. If the slideway of the distributor shifter is kept properly lubricated with graphite so that the inward motion of the slide is uniform, we do not believe this should occur, as the contour of the cam, allowing this motion, is not very abrupt where the rider descends. If you find by testing that the slide strikes the screw too hard, there will be no harm, of course, in locking back the shifter while recasting.

Elevator Transfer Slide Out of Adjustment

An operator writes to the effect that his transfer slide on three occasions was found out of adjustment, which caused lines to "pi" in hair-space box when the second elevator was held up by a line. In each instance he searched for what he thought was the common causes, but was unable to find that either the link pin or the screw had become loose. He desires to know what else besides an interference to the return of the slide will cause the transfer slide cam roll lever to slip.

Answer.—We have found one cause, not so rare, perhaps, as the working loose of the link hinge screw (D-197), which will engage with the edge of one of the openings back of the slideway and cause the cam roll to slip as the cam is returning it back to normal position. The cause is the working loose of the nut which forms the connection between the two

screws of the turnbuckle. As you probably know, the turnbuckle consists of three parts: a right and a left threaded screw, and the nut into which these screws are threaded. The nut has a slot sawed into one end and also has a hole at right angles to the threaded hole. The nut becomes loose sometimes, permitting the upper end of the spaceband lever to engage the frame of the machine adjacent to the spaceband box. This interference to the return-to-normal of this lever causes the slipping of the cam roll lever. This trouble can be prevented by removing the turnbuckle and taking out the screw on the split end. Squeeze the split end in a vise so as to tighten the grip on the screw, which may then be threaded in. It will be found that the nut will no longer work loose, which will prevent the slipping of the cam roll lever from that cause.

Keyrod Spring May Be Weak

"Spacebands do not always drop, but remain in box after ears have let go. This is not caused by roll or cam, as they are O. K. When I push the spacebands back behind the hooks on the top rails and touch the key, they usually drop all right for a while. What's the answer?"

Answer.—Try increasing the tension of the spaceband keyrod spring if it appears to give a slow upward action of the
spaceband pawl levers. See if the key lever slips out of the
screw in the back pawl lever. This happens occasionally.
Examine the lugs of the spacebands; they should not be bent
out of line with the shoulder of the slide. The under edge of
the lugs of the slides wears where the point of the box pawls
strikes in lifting the band over the hooks of the top rails. If
this wear becomes excessive it may also be a cause of trouble.
A few light rubs with a very fine file on the under side of these
lugs will help correct unduly rounded lugs.

Low Metal Causes Trouble

"I have recently found several scratches on plunger near holes at the side and on the bottom edge below the last groove. I have frequently been troubled with stuck plunger, and am wondering if the dross could be the cause of the marks."

Answer.— If the metal is allowed to get too low in the pot, grit may become lodged in the grooves in the plunger and this may cut the marks you noted. Always keep the surface of the metal above the top of the well, and when inserting the plunger move the dross to one side so as not to have the plunger carry any into the well. If you use a rotary wire brush to clean the well, turn the brush clock-wise. If the brush is rotated backwards, its wires sometimes become detached and cause trouble.

Pinion Spring Screw Works Loose

"On two or three occasions the screw that holds the spring in the mold disk pinion has jumped out and allowed the spring to fly quite a distance. What causes this screw to work loose, and how may it be stopped?"

Answer.—The trouble is probably due to the head of the screw, which is close fitting, rubbing on the inside of the handle of the pinion when it is turned by hand. This friction of the screw head and the adjacent part causes the loosening of the screw. You can prevent the trouble by polishing the side of the screw head with fine emery paper and oiling it before returning it to its place.

Identity of Correspondents Not Disclosed

An operator writes to find out whether his name and the name of the town will appear in the published answers to questions he may ask.

Answer.— Names and localities of writers seeking information are withheld. In fact, after the letter goes to the file the identity of the writer is lost. No correspondent need fear that his name or locality will be disclosed.

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By G. L. CASWELL

Editors and publishers of newspapers desiring criticism or notice of new features in their papers, rate cards, procuring of subscriptions and advertisements, carrier system, etc., are requested to send all letters, papers, etc., bearing on these subjects, to The Inland Printer Company,
632 Sherman street, Chicago. Criticisms of newspapers can not be made by mail.

Calling a Halt on Contests and Circulation Liars

Two matters of considerable importance to local newspapers and their publishers were brought out at the recent meeting of state press field managers in St. Louis, by way of discussions of the different fields and their problems. One was that the postal department at Washington is giving some close attention to subscription voting contests, or so-called popularity or salesmanship contests for the purpose of increasing circulation at whatever cost. A particular case was mentioned wherein the publisher of a newspaper who was conducting such a voting or salesmanship contest was notified by the department that complaint had been made that the newspaper in question was being sold at much less than half its subscription price, counting in the cost of premiums offered, the cost of the contest manager, percentage to the promoter, and all that. The department advised the publisher that when the contest was completed it would ask to check up the entire list of new subscriptions and if the evidence showed that these subscriptions had been obtained at less than fifty per cent of the regular price for the paper, such subscribers could not be served at the second-class postage rates.

Another matter of vital importance came as information direct from the postal department at Washington that the department would investigate complaints and prosecute offenders who claim and advertise a greater circulation of their newspapers than they really have, as an inducement to advertisers to use such newspapers. An instance or two were mentioned where publications with but three thousand or so of circulation had claimed thirty or forty thousand and thereby had used the mails to defraud advertisers. It was said some prosecutions of that kind of fraud had been made and convictions secured.

In both of these matters the postal department might be very hard to deal with if violations of the postal provisions were to be proved, and we advise that publishers watch the game from this angle when they are asked to yield to inducements for subscription contests and the vanity of claiming a much larger circulation than they in fact have. In many cases contests conducted on the usual scale, with an automobile or two as grand prizes and then lesser prizes and commissions to all the other contestants, with thirty or more per cent of the gross going to the contest manager or his firm, the actual cost of subscriptions thus secured runs to sixty-five per cent of the regular subscription price — and we think in some cases even more than that. Obviously this would be violating the provision that at least fifty per cent of the advertised regular subscription price must be secured in order to entitle the paper to delivery at second-class rates. And it is no uncommon thing to think that publishers, large and small, claim hundreds and even thousands of circulation more than their publications really have as an inducement for prestige in advertising. It is a form of abuse of confidence and obtaining money under false pretenses, and this is the way the department regards it.

These state association field managers arranged for a complete tie-up with each other in matters of importance to the publishers of their respective states. For one thing, fraud advertising and graft propositions that are frequently broadcasted in one state at a time, can be heralded to other states in time for the publishers there to be warned and guarded against them. Evidence found in one state can be communicated to the field men in other states, and thus in a matter of a day or two all the publishers of these well organized states can be in possession of information that will save them work and losses. Not only this, but many good things will be passed along as well, with a resultant benefit to the individual publishers of the entire country.

It was brought out at this St. Louis convention of state press field managers that there are some pernicious advertising agents, or concerns, or whatever you wish to call them, in several states that openly solicit general advertising business at a much less rate than the newspapers quote to recognized agencies. They tell prospective advertisers that they can place their business at ten or more per cent less than the standard rates quoted for these papers. It was stated that they do actually get business that way, but how they do it was not so plain. But the fact that they do it at all is a reflection on the newspaper advertising business as a whole. For instance, it was stated one such concern claims a list of 180 newspapers in Colorado at a big cut in rates from the agency lists. Nobody can figure out which papers these are or where located. It is doubtful whether there are a third of that number that can be thus included in any cut-rate proposition. Possibly there are not a dozen, but it is downright demoralization of legitimate business for any such propaganda to get out, and it should be stopped if it takes gunpowder to do it. What interests are concerned? And why? Can any one enlighten us?

Display Space Seven Years Ago and Now

We have before us a list of newspaper advertising rates in one state as printed, including the local reader and display space rates, for 1918. The list is largely made up of weekly and the smaller local newspapers of the state, and it is interesting now in comparison with a rate book from the same state for 1925. "It is to laugh." When we consider what these newspapers did for so small pay in 1918 we sometimes wonder how they ever survived the war. The first six papers listed charged 15 cents an inch, with an agency commission of 15 per cent off from that! Then the list ran 20 cents; 20 cents; 15 to 18 cents; 20 cents; 25 cents; and then a few more at 15 cents. Now the same papers show rates as follows: 25 cents; 30 cents; 25 cents; 35 cents; 35 cents; 25 cents; 25 cents; 25 cents - and on to 40 cents an inch for display space, with the same commission to agencies. Not a 15-cent paper in the entire list and few less than 25 cents. All of which goes to show that there has been a business revolution in those

smaller publications that very likely accounts for their vast improvement in appearance, makeup, general contents, and especially in advertising displays. Every paper listed carries more display copy now than it did in 1918.

Very few newspapers, large or small, have a complete cost system to show exactly what their space should bring. But those newspapers that do have such systems find that preparing the copy for the printer, composing, proving and then makeup and lockup ready for the press costs them more than 21 cents an inch. And these publishers wonder how smaller papers can exist on the pay they get for the complete newspaper circulated to readers. Of course, overhead is decreased in most of these small plants by reason of the versatility of the publishers themselves, who not only take in the advertising and book it, but help set the type and make the forms ready—all of which they can do at much less than the cost if each piece of work is done by different men where somebody isn't doing much of anything productive.

The point is, as was stated in this department some weeks ago, that the cost of producing advertising ought to be measured up to the time it goes on the press. Then a separate accounting can be made for the circulation and a fair and just price can be figured to the advertiser. Printing is one part of the job; that is all. Circulation and mailing costs are another.

Old-Time Newspaper Rules

We have a reproduced copy of the *Indiana Gazette*, published at Vincennes, Indiana Territory, in 1804. It is a little four-page, four-column sheet, filled with reading matter exclusively, except for some legal notices. The publisher, E. Stout, offers the usual salutatory in presenting the first issue, as follows:

At length after great trouble and much expence the Public is presented with the first number of the Indiana Gazette. Without deviating from the general rule of News-Paper Printers, in the first number the editor addresses the Public, and lays down the principles which shall govern the publication. His object shall be to collect and publish such information as will give a correct account of the productions and natural advantages of the Territory, to give the latest foreign and domestic intelligence—Original Essays, Political, Moral, Literary, Agricultural, and on Domestic Economics—to select such fugitive literary productions as will tend to raise "The genious or to mend the heart," &c. &c. shall be the second.

The political complection of the paper shall be truly republican; but it never shall be prostituted to party — Essays of any political complection, couched in decent language shall find a ready insertion,—but the Editor pledges himself that the columns of the Gazette, shall never be tarnished with matter that can offend the eye of decency, or raise a blush upon the cheek of modesty and virtue.

With this outline the *Indiana Gazette* is submitted for patronage, to a generous and enlightened public,—and the Editor feels confident of encouragement, equal to his merit,—and though it is not always in our power to command success, yet he will ever 'endeavor to deserve it.'

We have copied not only the language of the newspaper, but its punctuation and capitalization, both of which are of interest at this time, 120 years after its publication. What the editor says of the high-minded purpose of the publication brings forth curiosity to know how the paper succeeded in filling the "long felt want" of the time.

And of further interest are the terms and rules of the publication as laid down in this first issue:

Terms of the Gazette -

1. It shall be published weekly on a medium paper.

2. The price to subscribers will be two dollars and fifty cents, payable half-yearly in advance. Those who do not come forward at the expiration of the first six months, and make the second advance, will be charged with an additional fifty cents.

No subscriber taken for a less term than one year, unless he pays the whole term of his subscription in advance. 4. Wherever papers are sent by post, the person subscribing must pay the postage.

Advertisements of no more length than breadth, inserted three times for one dollar and fifty cents, and twenty-five cents for each continuance.

The advertising rate thus stipulated is about 75 cents an inch for the first issue, and 12 cents for "each continuance." We hope he got it to the last cent, for there must have been more glory than profit in publishing such a paper for "a generous and enlightened public."

Observations

One local dealer we know of had five nice, large newspaper spaces devoted to products he was handling and advertising paid for by the wholesalers. He increased his business from \$100 a day to \$500 a day, and made himself and those he purchased from a lot of good money. It is the advertising that gets out to the ultimate consumer that helps the retail dealer, and all the highly paid and well entertained publicity agents in the country can not stop that truth from marching along if the local newspaper publishers will work for the coöperation of their local dealers in putting it across.

An obvious error appeared in this department in the last issue. In the paragraph setting out the plan of selling advertising on the small unit basis, or at so much per inch per hundred homes, the writer possibly was not specific enough, and in two places the reader was informed that the price of advertising could be quoted at so much per inch per family, when it was intended to say that it could be quoted at so much per inch per one hundred families. The subject is important, nevertheless. Think it over again, applying the price per inch per each one hundred families, and note what a selling value is conveyed in that thought.

Southern California Editorial Association newspapers some time ago adopted a resolution that the newspapers of that association would not accept favors or offers of free trips or entertainment for editors of the association without the sanction of the officers. Many an extravagant entertainment plan has been pulled off in that state, where great private and corporate interests were concerned more in getting newspaper publicity than in exhibiting friendliness to the newspapers or their editors. Excursions, sporting events, boom projects and resorts were making it quite the thing to enlist the newspapers favorably by invitations to ride, to eat and play at no expense to the editors. Hereafter, through their association manager, the publishers will arrange to pull off their own excursions and pleasure events and be under no obligation to any interest.

Newspaper men as well as job printers are interested in the movement to get Congress to change the postal laws relative to printing government stamped envelopes for customers. Several times in the past twenty years weak and spasmodic attempts have been made to secure a revision of this law, but always the printers have come out of the case discredited and their position weakened. Now it is different. The movement has attained a momentum that can not be stopped. No fourwheel brakes can keep the proposition from running amuck in the next session of Congress, and in some states it is going to mean something if these congressmen do not help adjust the matter in all fairness to the printers. That the United States government should continue interference with local and other printers of envelopes, by making a price for printing and transporting envelopes at less than the cost of the transportation alone, is not 1925 business. And the newspapers are interested now because in continuing this loss the postal department must seek to raise rates for mailing newspapers as well as other forms of bulk mail.

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Review of Newspapers and Advertisements

By J. L. FRAZIER

Herald-Progress, Ashland, Virginia.— Your issue of September 1, on the first page of which the banner heading and the article it covers—set two-column measure—are printed in red, is lively and attractive. In fact, the whole paper is satisfactory, the printing being very good, although we dislike your use of block-letter type in the advertising display.

Lewis County Advocate, Chehalis, Washington.— All the advertisements you submit are excellent in arrangement and display. Improvement could conceivably come from the use of more attractive types, although those you use are by no means bad—in fact, they're better than the general run of type faces in the equipment of newspapers. Specimens of jobwork are likewise of good quality, your letterhead being handsome.



Harmonious department-store advertisement by Linn D. MacDonald, Baltimore, Maryland, which, despite the large amount of matter, does not appear crowded — at least offensively.

Albia Union Republican, Albia, Iowa.— Except for the fact that the lines in the headings are somewhat too closely spaced, and that, in addition, there are not enough headings in the lower part, the first page of your October 8 issue is excellent. It appears alive and full of news. Presswork is also unusually good, as are also most of the advertisements, some of which are mighty fine, notably the Latimer display. There is no excuse whatever for such a crowded jumble of big bold type as characterizes the Burdock page: it would be none the less strong if some of the display near the top were smaller, which would allow of more space between lines. The effect is worse because the lines referred to are set wholly in capitals; lower-case, in part at least, provides spacing within itself and the shoulder was never intended or based upon consideration of lines being set wholly in capitals, so is inadequate when all characters are full height. The Hurst & Parry advertisement is another good one, having a metropolitan department store appearance that is commendable, of course, since the better department stores in the large cities have spent considerable money to determine what is the most effective type of publicity for their particular needs.

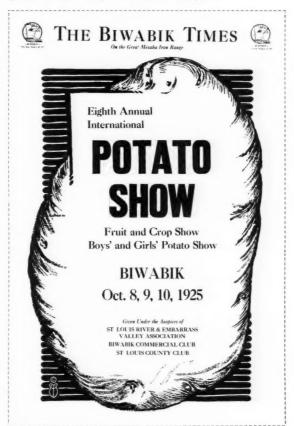
LINN D. McDonald, Baltimore, Maryland.—Among the finest newspaper advertisements we have considered in a long time are those designed by you for the Bernheimer-Leader Stores, for most of which you also wrote the copy. They are thoroughbreds, the more remarkable in view of the fact they were composed in a newspaper composing room, the type equipment of the majority of which is notably behind the times. The merit of the advertisements is creditable, therefore, to the Sun and the comps. of the Sun ad. alley, as well as to yourself. One of the outstanding features of these advertisements is the amount of matter gotten into several of the pages without any pronounced effect of crowding, which demonstrates a skilful employment of available white space and of putting it where it counts most. Consistency in display type is a notably good feature, too; New Caslon is used for all the display of most of the advertisements, while those for the Basement Department are given individuality through the use of Cheltenham Bold for display. We are reproducing a characteristic example of this advertising; while the advertisements vary as to detail they have a resemblance that gives character and stamps them immediately upon sight as the publicity of this particular store.

Advocate-Republican, Audubon, Iowa.—We are mighty glad to learn that we have influenced you to adopt the pyramid arrangement of advertisements and are still more pleased to have you tell us you like it. Others would, too, if they'd only give the plan a tryout. Yes, you are doing it quite right, and the paper is looking fine. It isn't essential that there should be no advertisements on the first page of sections other than the first, although, of course, we like editions better when the first page of all sections is clean like the first. Avoid setting entire advertisements in large sizes of heavy-faced type, even when the temptation to make a grand slam is great.

Clay County Sun, Clay County, Nebraska.—While the display features of the first page of your September 17 issue are perfectly balanced, the fact that three of those features are display advertisements makes the page unsatisfactory. If these ads, just had to appear on the first page, however, you placed them in the best possible positions. Presswork is handsome, but the smooth stock was a great help, which, of course, means no less credit for the individual who set the fountain of the press and did the printing. The advertisements are not very satisfactory, mainly because your display type is of poor design. We wish you would make it a rule never to use the block-letter type for the display of advertisements; it is not only inharmonious, but ugly and without grace.

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E. F. Brady, Sussex, New Jersey.—We consider country correspondence should be grouped, as you are now handling it, rather than scattered through the paper. One of the essentials of good makeup is to place features regularly in one place so readers will know exactly where to find them. The Chicago Daily News invariably puts its cross-word puzzle on page ten. Your paper is clean looking, not only as a result of even printing and the proper amount of color, but because the heads are not overly black. Indeed, we think the news heads on the first page should be a little stronger, as the effect at present is somewhat flat. The page is not so interesting and lively looking as it would be if the main heads, at least, were in slightly bolder type. Advertisements are quite satisfactory in arrangement and are well displayed.



Simple artwork makes a mighty effective cover for this special edition of the Biwabik (Minn.) Times, one of the finest small-town papers being published in America today.

Biwabik Times, Biwabik, Minnesota.—We have long regarded your publication one of the very finest of the so-called "country" papers. Your special "Potato Show" edition, the interesting first page of which is reproduced, is no exception to the rule. Presswork is beautiful, just the right amount of ink being used, and it is spread on with uniformity throughout the page. The paper as a whole is quite uncommon.

Iola Register, Iola, Kansas.— Posters and large newspaper advertisements are above the average of this class of work. While strong in general effect, the "Boxing" poster is made rather unattractive and difficult to read, especially at a distance, by the manner in which so many lines of capitals near the top are so closely spaced, especially since the lines referred to are mostly in condensed and extra-condensed type. The display deserves more white space than given, even at the expense of reducing the size of some of the lines. The adforthe Gibbs store is excellent, perhaps the best piece of work in the lot, largely because there is more white space in it. Larger type might have been used at the expense of white space, but the display would not have been more effective, is a effective, as witness the loss of effectiveness in the "Boxing" poster where in the upper half of the page the largest possible sizes were used. We regret, of course, the use of extra-condensed block-letter type for the heads in some of the panels of the Gibbs advertisement, which contrasts disagreeably with the Cooper Black employed for most of the display. Why wasn't this face used altogether for display? Where the extra-condensed requires only one line the Cooper would require two—and possibly a smaller point size, but, remember, the latter would have greater width than the block letter. Width is a dimension determining size just as much as height. The "General Dedication" poster for the Red Star Route is also a fine example of good display, though, of course, it has the advantage of being printed in two colors. The pictorial poster of the route is also good, but there is very little typework in it, the bulk of the space being taken up with a large halftone, which is admirably printed. The courthouse and park entrance at Ottawa, as well as the bridge at Lawrence, are familiar sights to the writer, who worked at both places in his younger days, so the receipt of this poster is like a visit back home and is therefore welcomed on that accou

Reseda Banner, Reseda, California.— A six-column first page is difficult to arrange, as, in fact, is any page having an even number of columns, and particularly across the top. A system followed by many publishers of papers of this size is to place a single-column head at the top of the first column, a very small one at the top of the second, a double-column to two singles—preferably the former—in the third and fourth columns, the same in the fifth as in the second, and a single-column head at the top of the sixth. A little more than a third of the way down the second and fifth columns there should be single-column heads, the same as those at the tops of the columns, or a little smaller. There can be single-column heads below the center of the page in the third and fourth columns, either directly under the cutoff rule, or, when the two-column headed article is short, smaller headings should appear directly under the cutoff rule so the larger heads will appear at about the point suggested. Your heads are very good, but country correspondence and other departments, like the one headed "Runnymede News Notes," are preferably opened with box heads, to distinguish them as departments and from general news articles. The important point in the arrangement of heads is that there should be some in all parts of the page, with the greater proportion, of course, near the top. In other words there should not be a mass of them at one point and a wide expanse of space elsewhere without any. The first page of the August 6 issue is the best balanced of all issues submitted, although there is not a great deal to choose between most of them. Advertisements are unusually good ones of their class, meaning the kind of advertising, the size of the city and the printer's facilities. We urge you to begin arranging ads. according to the pyramid at once; that is, grouping them in the lower right-hand corner on all pages. A marked improvement in the appearance of your paper will automatically result from this change. Presswork is excellent

Telegraph Press, Cincinnati, Ohio.—The Catholic Telegraph is remarkably well printed, the halftones being handsomely rendered. The first page makeup (August 13 issue) is interesting, but in our opinion the ornaments alongside the feature portrait, which is paneled, detract from the appearance of the page, all the material of which is well arranged. As newspaper advertisements yours are satisfactory, though, of course, they could be set in more pleasing type faces and could also be more skilfully displayed, but they are simple in arrangement and readable, which are the prime considerations. We think you owe it to the appearance of your paper to pyramid the advertisements, which are irregularly scattered in the issue submitted. The appearance of the paper would be greatly improved if the advertisements were grouped in the lower right-hand corner on all pages. The effect of order resulting from this systematic plan is popular with readers, because it makes the reading matter more convenient, and has the effect of emphasizing the amount of news, which is to your advantage.

Autlers Republican, Antiers, Oklahoma.—Your September 17 issue is a dandy, the presswork being de luxe in every respect. The first page, although very attractive, would be more attractive and interesting in appearance if there were a few sizable headings in the lower part of the page, which, as arranged with only machine-set heads, looks bare and dull. The advertisements are remarkably good, the only fault we have to find with the paper in that respect is with the borders of alternating light and dark units, which are not pleasing. Because each unit has the effect of attracting individual attention such borders detract from the type matter, to a certain extent at least. Plain rules make the best borders by far, their outstanding merit being in the fact that they serve all the practical purposes which borders are expected to serve without attracting undue attention to themselves.

Wasco News, Wasco, California.— Considering the fact that the display features are not symmetrically arranged, the rest of the first page of the "Fair Edition" is excellent; the effect of the informal arrangement is lively and interesting. Advertisements are very good indeed, although the variety of borders and types detracts from the appearance of the paper as a whole, the decorative unit borders being especially displeasing. Plain rules make the best borders; they serve every purpose of classification, and of separating the different advertisements, without drawing attention to themselves as ornamental unit borders do. While the distribution of ink is not as uniform as we should like to see, the printing of the halftones is very satisfactory on the whole, particularly in view of the fact that only common news-stock is used in the printing of this edition. For a "Fair Edition" we would say that it is a great deal better than lair.

L. W. SMITH, Albury, Australia.—We presume we should take Australian papers as they are and disregard the practice of running classified advertisements on the first page, which is the general rule, but we can not refrain from pointing out how much finer they would be if only important news matter appeared on the first page. We feel that Australian and British papers generally have much to learn from the newspapers of Canada and the United States. We hope you do not accept this as egotistical, for we have always felt our publishers could do better presswork, usually the outstanding virtue of papers in your land. In this respect, however, your own paper doesn't seem to match the average of Australian publications; the inking seems uneven and too light, and the impression too weak, for, on the larger type faces, there are invariably white specks where the fiber of the paper has not been pressed down by the impression. The advertisements are commonplace in appearance, but, at that, they are up to the standard of those in similar publications in America.



The "kick" in this advertisement is due the diamond-shaped panel, which, affording a strong contrast to the conventional and common rectangular panel, seems certain to draw the eye from adjacent displays.

STANDARD PUBLISHING COMPANY, Kingston, Ontario.—Of the three page advertisements you have sent us recently the one for the Shrine is by far the best. The effect of the National Candy Day page is bad, not, as you might think, because the type faces used are so bold as because of the manifest and disagreeable effect of crowding and the association of extra-condensed and extended faces. In a page of this character, made up of the spaces of various advertisers, the effect is of one advertisement, hence there should not be the mixtures of faces that we find in it. In the football page there is too much white space between the several pennant-shaped panels in relation to the amount of space inside the panels, where the type matter is badly crowded. Here, again, the mixing of types of incongruous shape and design, as well as crowding, detracts from the appearance of the page.

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Crawford County Press, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin.— Editorially, your special historical edition of October 21 is a dandy; in volume of advertising, also, it measures up to a high standard. The arrangement of the first page is not satisfactory, mainly because of the clutter of three cuts and the two-inch advertisement in bold-face type at the bottom. If these features had been spread out, with a view, of course, to their balancing each other and to nage balance as a whole, the appearance of the page would have been a great deal better. The presswork is very good; the printing of the halftones on the coarse news-print stock is commendable. In arrangement and display the advertisements are satisfactory, but the preponderance of bold-face types. among which the condensed block-letter face is particularly displeasing, makes the paper look rather bad. You have and use far too many type faces.

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A Friend in Need Is a Friend Indeed

The plant of the Surber-Arundale Printing Company, Charlottesville, Virginia, was destroyed by fire October 26. It was a large plant, valued at something like \$200,000. As soon as the printers of Lynchburg, Richmond, Staunton and Harrisonburg learned of the disaster, they wired the Surber-Arundale Company that if any assistance was needed in filling pressing orders their plants were at the disposal of the stricken firm. Perhaps many of these printers were competitors of the Surber-Arundale Company, but this was forgotten for the moment; all they thought of was to help when help was most needed. Such assistance between men speaks favorably of the printers in Virginia. They are to be commended highly.

Our Cover Contest

Designs for covers of The Inland Printer, submitted in our international contest, are beginning to come in. This is a gratifying result of the announcement in the October issue. But we want more; we want all we can possibly get. The prizes we offer, \$50 in cash for each accepted design, should prove tempting enough for every typographer. Besides, there is the honor and prestige accompanying the cash prizes, which, in the long run, may prove even more valuable than the money. We can think of no greater honor for a typographer than to be awarded such a prize. The Inland Printer is so well known for its typographic excellence that no one can question the ability of any one honored with such a prize.

Appreciation and Admiration

Since we printed the "Portrait Study" as an insert in the October issue of The Inland Printer, we have received numerous letters of commendation of our enterprise in showing our readers such results of the printing presses of the world. The insert was printed in France by a process little known among us. But its beauty was so pronounced and so immediately appealing that it created appreciation and admiration both near and far. As an example, Hy. Williams, the librarian at the College of Technology, Manchester, England, writes: "On opening our copy of the October issue of The Inland Printer I was simply dumb with admiration at the extraordinary beauty of 'A Portrait Study.' It is the finest example of art printing I have ever seen." Needless to say, such words of commendation will not divert us from our purpose always to keep our readers informed of what is new in the printing industry, and to show by beautiful inserts of a like nature how printing is being developed.

More Front-Door Opportunities

The motor busses now traversing the boulevards of our cities and the highways of the country are the latest development in urban and interurban transportation. And they have come to stay; no doubt about that. They are already keen competitors of the surface, elevated and interurban lines, and will probably increase to be so as time passes. These busses leave their terminals at stated intervals, passing their stations at street intersections or country towns on certain schedules. But so far, no such schedules have been printed, to our knowledge. Any passenger using the busses regularly would be pleased to receive some sort of time card, even if printed on only a plain sheet. The progressive printer will not be slow to grasp this idea of increased business. A time card, neatly printed, would be an admirable advertising medium for banks, real estate men, laundries and numerous other businesses of a like nature.

As the dairy farms are growing in size and number, they will become valuable customers as users of stationery, invoices and other forms. They are generally overlooked because their places of business are outside the ordinary avenues of trade. But they are well worth a call, either personal or by letter. An article showing in detail what this kind of business needs in the line of letterheads will appear in a future issue of The Inland Printer.

The movie palaces are becoming more numerous and more elegant every day in practically every large city of the Union. They cater to the masses. As such they are in need of appropriate publicity. Before they got into their present state of affluence, they published weekly two and four page leaflets to show their patrons what their programs would be. Now they publish one-sheet posters in two colors and elaborate twenty-four or thirty-two page magazines printed in two or three colors, not only giving the program in condensed form but also the story of the important cinema plays. Their concern is to keep alive the interest in this kind of amusement already awakened. Take the case of Balaban & Katz, Chicago, as an example. They are operating four of the largest and the finest movie palaces in the city and a number of others. Up to a few weeks ago they used little or no publicity matter beyond their newspaper advertising. Now they are publishing The Balaban & Katz Magazine, thirty-two pages and cover, richly illustrated and printed in two colors on a fine enamel stock. As their patrons are numbered by the hundreds of thousands each week, it is evident that the issue must be a considerable one. This is only the beginning. What Balaban & Katz are doing in Chicago, surely can be done by other large movie operators.



Brief mention of men and events associated with the printing and allied industries will be published under this heading.

Items for this department should reach us by the tenth day of the month.

Printing Industry Shows Big Increase

SINCE 1914 there has been a decided increase in the general value of business done in the printing trades. This is shown in a report just made by the Bureau of Census. The value of the printed product in 1914 is given as \$810,508,075. In 1923 the value is given as \$2,021,355,739, or an increase over 1914 of approximately 150 per cent. The cost of materials in 1914 is given as \$226,582,080, while in 1923 it was \$585,935,675, or an increase of approximately 160 per cent. Salaries and wages are given in 1914 as \$294,904,079, and in 1923 as \$704,278,511, or an increase of approximately 138 per cent. Summing up, it will be observed that the value of the product has kept pace with the mounting costs of production, though the price of materials has made a greater gain.

In 1914 there were 31,612 printing and publishing establishments in the United

States. In 1923 the number of plants had decreased to 20,452, a loss of 11,160, or approximately 35 per cent. A corresponding loss is noted in the number of proprietors and firm members during the same period. In 1914 there were 29,423 proprietors and firm members, while in 1923 there were but 15,907, or a drop of over 40 per cent. This is to some extent accounted for by the fact that in 1914 shops with an annual business of \$5,000 were included, while in the 1923 census they were not. In connection with this it is interesting to note that the number of salaried officers and employees has increased from 109,298 in 1914, to 154,717 in 1923, or a gain of approximately 45 per cent. The tendency in the printing trades has been to fewer and larger plants, as a study of these figures shows. A summary of these statistics appears below:

picture entitled "The Intertype — How It Is Made." It shows how matrices are made, how the machine is made, and how it functions. The film is of standard size, but in the event that the clubs have no machine the Intertype Corporation will furnish one.

Hammermill Paper Company, Erie, Pennsylvania, has a stereopticon lecture on the making of Hammermill bond. The company also has a Spencer delineascope lecture. This film may be used in a small Pathé projector, or the company will lend the complete outfit for printers' gatherings.

The Chicago *Tribune*, Tribune Square, Chicago, has recently revised its film. "Trees to Tribunes," which shows the complete process of manufacture; it is ready for free distribution.

The General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, has a film on "The World of Paper," that may be had free of charge, except for transportation, by printers' organizations. Write to Miss Marie Dahl, 230 South Clark street, Chicago.

The J. W. Butler Paper Company, 221 West Monroe street, Chicago, has six reels of motion pictures, three on "The Romance of Paper," and three on "The Sick Print Shop." Write to Harry L. Dodson, sales manager. No rental charge.

Charles Francis Press, New York city, had a film pertaining to printing, but it has been turned over to the United Typothetae of America. It may be obtained by communicating with Edward T. Miller, secretary, 600 Jackson boulevard, Chicago.

The International Typographical Union, Indianapolis, has a film called "My Brother's Keeper," showing the Union Printers' Home at Colorado Springs and the Typographical Terrace at Indianapolis, Terms for the loan of the film for exhibition purposes may be obtained from Secretary John W. Hays, Typographical Terrace, Indianapolis.

Jahn & Ollier Engraving Company, Incorporated, 552 West Adams street, Chicago, has a film showing the different processes in the making of engravings—halftones, and etchings in black and colors. The film may be had for exhibition purposes, by either printers or photoengravers, by writing to Jahn & Ollier at the above address.

We believe that this list is a complete one; we believe it represents practically everything in the line of motion pictures in the printing industry. If, however, we have failed to get all, corrections will be made when needed.

COMPARATIVE DATA OF PRINTING AND PUBLISHING, 1914 AND 1923

	1914.	1923.
Number of establishments		20,452
Persons engaged	367,090	417,079
Proprietors and firm members		15,907
Salaried officers and employees		154,717
Wage earners (average)		246,455
Salaries and wages		\$704.278.511
Salaries	\$127,356,146	\$304,890,928
Wages		\$399,387,583
Cost of materials (including fuel and mill supplies)		\$585,935,675
Value of products		\$2,021,355,739
Value added by manufacturers	\$583,925,995	\$1,435,420,064

Motion Pictures of the Printing Industry

RECENTLY THE INLAND PRINTER wrote to a number of paper manufacturers, press builders, typefounders, etc., asking whether they had motion pictures depicting their particular branch of the industry that might be obtained by guilds, clubs, associations, etc., for exhibition before meetings. Quite a few manufacturers responded. Below we publish a list of the films, together with information pertaining to rental, where the films may be had, their nature,

S. D. Warren Company, 101 Milk street, Boston, Massachusetts, has a three-reel film on the process of making paper. No rental charge.

American Type Founders Company, 300 Communipaw avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey, has a film entitled "The Power of the Press in Education," photographed in the boys' vocational school, Newark, New Jersey, and the printing department of the American Type Founders Company. The

general theme of the picture is the showing of a boy's progress through the vocational school. No rental charge.

Seybold Machine Company, Dayton, Ohio, has a film showing the operation of a Seybold continuous trimmer on actual production work on the *Woman's Home Companion*. No rental charge. Transportation must be furnished for the return of the film.

The Harris Automatic Press Company, 4494 East Seventy-first street, Cleveland, Ohio, has an illustrated lecture on offset printing which the company will be glad to present at any meeting of printers.

Eaton, Crane & Pike Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, will lend free of charge to clubs, guilds, etc., a film showing the various operations in the manufacture of fine writing paper. A lecture covering the various steps accompanies the film.

The Intertype Corporation, 127 North Sangamon street, Chicago, has a four-reel

Who Invented the Standard Cost-Finding System?

THERE has for some time been quite a controversy regarding the origin of the Standard Cost-Finding System. The printers of the East claim it was an invention of theirs, while the original Ben Franklin Club crowd of the Middle West claim that the credit belongs to them. Talking on "The Evolution of Estimating" at the thirtyninth annual convention of typothetae, John C. Hill, the eminent secretary of the Baltimore Typothetae and one of those who played an important part in the shaping of the cost system as it now appears, dwelt at some length on the crude methods of estimating in the first years of the century. Said Mr. Hill:

In those days all estimating was more or less crude, some of it pathetically so, and of necessity would be, because up to 1901 we had no accurate would be, because up to 1901 we had no accurate methods of cost-finding, and without knowing the value of the sold hour it doesn't help a great deal if your guess as to the time is correct. Isaac H. Blanchard, of New York, and J. Cliff Dando, of Philadelphia, were the real pioneers in scientific cost work; their lectures and demonstrations aroused an interest in cost of production which grew in intensity as its importance came to be more and more realized. While the Blanchard and Dando systems were modeled much along the same lines, old-timers will recall that there was quite a division of opinion throughout the country as to some of the details.

The New York Typothetae, in 1901, formally indorsed the Blanchard system as being fundamentally sound, and at the suggestion of Theodore L. De Vinne the work of installing it in New York offices began that year. Later on, in 1904 or 1905, through cooperation with the author, the United Typothetae of America distributed to each of its mbers throughout the United States a copy of Blanchard book.

The Printers' Boards of Trade in the various large cities of the East, the real active organizations of that day, took up the work of cost-finding in thorough earnest and evolved a system out of which grown the Standard Cost-Finding System.

The first effort at national standardization of cost-The first effort at national standardization of cost-inding methods came when the Boards of Trade of New York, Philadelphia, and Boston got together and formulated what was known as the Board of Trade system. Baltimore was invited to sit in on this conference, but a strike, or some other indoor sport, prevented my attendance. This has always been a source of regret to me, for the men who developed that system were real benefactors to the industry. Charlie Paulus, now on the staff of the New York Employing Printers' Association, drafted the first 9-H (he called it Form 9) of which we have any knowledge, and I would rather have that to my credit than any other accomplishment of like nature known to our industry.

banquet. The speeches served to further unite the two great nations in bonds of fellowship and mutual good will.

High-Speed Bronzer

This bronzer works in conjunction with a high-speed press and turns out work that is absolutely uniform because the sheets are bronzed in the order in which they are printed, all in one operation. The sized sheets are carried directly to the bronzing machine. It is made and sold by the United Printing Machinery Company, Boston,

The Graphic Institute, Vienna

Eduard Kuchinka, curator of the famous Government Institute for Instruction and Experiment in the Graphic Arts at Vienna, in a recent report said: "Nor are there lacking magazines concerning the printing industry in German, French and English; among them an almost complete file of the well known American magazine, THE IN-LAND PRINTER, which, however, upon the entry of America into the World War, was unfortunately discontinued and for lack of necessary funds can no more be obtained, which means a great loss to the library and its readers."

Is there not some reader possessing a file of THE INLAND PRINTER from 1914 to date who would be pleased to contribute it to complete this collection? Assistance will be given by this office as far as possible.

Haynes With American Type Founders

Merritt W. Haynes, for four or five years a valued member of the educational department of the United Typothetae of America, has joined the educational department of the American Type Founders Company. As we understand it, Mr. Haynes in his new position will devote his time to improvements in methods of printing instruction. He is particularly qualified for such a position. As the assistant of Dr. Hawkins, he has had charge of the editing and publishing of the apprenticeship lessons of typothetae, first at the U. T. A. School of Printing in Indianapolis and later at headquarters in Chicago. When Dr. Hawkins resigned a year ago as director of education of typothetae, Mr. Haynes was appointed to fill his place.

New Typesetting Record Established

Machine composition efficiency was again demonstrated at the plant of the O'Sullivan Linotype Composition Company, New York city, on Saturday, September 19. The occasion was the third annual exhibition, a unique demonstration started by Mr. O'Sullivan. Results are judged by the amount of type set in a given time, with regard to the accuracy and general quality of the work done. Two years ago, at the first exhibition, the amount of type set in the two hours allotted was 22,222 ems, 1924 the amount was 23,118 ems, and this year a total of 24,372 ems was turned out.

The operators as before were John F. O'Sullivan and William Welty, alternating for half-hour periods on different sizes of type and different measures. The work was unusually clean, the average of errors being not more than three or four to the

Novel Gift to American Journalism

A STONE from St. Paul's Cathedral, London, was, with proper dedication ceremonies, placed in front of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri on November 10. Aaron Watson, who suggested the idea of the stone, characterized the ceremony as being like a "vigorous and hearty shaking of hands over three thousand miles of sea."

This school of journalism is the oldest one of its kind in the world; this is the reason for its having been given the stone, "a sign and symbol of the international relations of journalism," as E. Lansing Ray, of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, calls it.

Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador to the United States, presented the stone, which was accepted in behalf of the Ameri-

can journalists by George B. Dealey, president and general manager of the Dallas (Texas) News and former vice-president of the Associated Press. Other speakers during the program and at the banquet which followed were Stratton D. Brooks, president of the university; A. Ross Hill, former president of the university; the Right Reverend Frederick Foote Johnson, bishop of Missouri of the Protestant-Episcopal Church; Edward Henry Winter, president of the Missouri Press Association, and James Wright Brown, secretary-treasurer of the Press Congress of the World.

Dean Walter Williams proposed a toast "to the president of the United States and to His Majesty King George V. of England," which was the opening event of the



Tournalists and Guests at Dedication Ceremony

First row from left to right: George B. Dealey; E. Lansing Ray; President Stratton D. Brooks; Marshall Gordon, Columbia citizen; Sir Esme Howard; Ralph E. Stout, managing editor of the Kansas City Star; The Right Reverend Frederick Foote Johnson; A. Ross Hill; John Balfour, second secretary to the British Embassy in Washington, and Dean Walter Williams.

John Marder Presents Significant Figures

OUR friend, John Marder, secretary of the Rochester Typothetae, delivered an address on "Budgeting in the Printing Business," at the last typothetae convention. In his address Mr. Marder pointed to the seasonal and irregular trend in the industry as factors requiring frequent revision of any budget which might be established. Said Mr. Marder:

In investigating the data available at headquar-ters for the preparation of this memorandum, I found many interesting and instructive facts. For instance, I find that the first record of mechanically fed folding machines shows that during the year 1916 the productive time of these machines was 39 per cent. In the year 1918 this had increased to 59 per cent. In the year 1918 this had increased to 60 per cent, and then gradually declined until last year the productive time on these machines was not quite 42 per cent. The monotype keyboard percentages show a quite similar drop. In 1913 it was 74 per cent, and it gradually declined until

in 1924 it was 43 per cent.

The same condition is found when the records of the small platen presses are examined. The record for 1924 on these presses shows a productive time of 39 per cent, whereas in 1913 it was approximately 63 per cent. In the particular units to which I refer there is a definite downward trend. These percentages are here quoted, not with any idea of saying that the business is on a downward scale, but to show that if we were to budget the output of our plants on information which we have, it would be a very dangerous proceeding. I might say, in connection with this matter, that in no case does the data which we have available show a definite upward trend in any department. The hand composition and bindery departments are really the only ones that show a fairly even curve of productive time.

These figures are all given as pertaining to the industry as a whole. It might be interesting if I give a few figures as to the differences which occur in different classes or sizes of plants as shown in

in different classes or sizes of plants as shown in the 1923 composite ratios of printing costs.

As you know, the United Typothetae of America accounting department has segregated its records into eight divisions. These divisions are made up according to annual sales. Roughly speaking, Class A covers a plant with annual sales of \$15,000 or less; Class H covers plants with annual sales of \$15,000 or the composite ratio tables show over \$750,000. The composite ratio tables show that in 1924 the average productive hours of the medium cylinder presses was 59 per cent. In Class B, which you will recognize as covering some of the smaller plants, the average was 32 per cent, while in Class H the average was 80 per cent. One more illustration will probably suffice. The average productive hours on hand-fed job presses, 10 by 15 and smaller, was 39 per cent. The Class A average was less than 27 per cent, while the Class H average was over 64 per cent.

he electrified the audience, and the executive council made him an offer of the job. Hence, for a few years, he was the leading figure at typothetae conventions and other typothetae gatherings, especially in community singing and other spiritual doings, His presence was really inspirational whenever he appeared on a program. We who had the pleasure of his close acquaintance learned to love him for his sterling qualities and sound business principles. There were those, of course, who discounted his abilities considerably; there always will be a difference of opinion in a multitude; some people even seem to think that Eddie Cantor is funny.

Mr. Estey left typothetae work in 1920; some internal differences forced him to resign. Later he established an advertising agency in Chicago, but it didn't prosper materially, as the hard times that followed forced two of his best clients to the wall, at a larger loss than the young agency could stand. In 1923 he moved to Los Angeles, where he was engaged as advertising counsel for the Vanderbilt Newspapers, Incorporated. Even in this far western city his magnetic personality won instant appeal; he shortly became one of the leaders in the advertising club and in a number of other clubs and commercial bodies. He also won great popularity as editor of the "Uncle column in The Illustrated Daily

The following poetic tribute to the memory of our departed friend was read at a luncheon meeting of the Los Angeles Advertising Club:

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His smile's no longer here to cheer us, His voice is stilled forevermore, His footsteps treading paths unknown Beyond the portal of God's door.

He made his impress well among us, And taught a lesson that to live Is but a treasure stored within him, The privilege was his to give.

No call too great for him to hear it, And none so small he could not see, We met upon a common level It mattered not who it might be.

We're all the better for the knowing Of a man who did his very best, A stranger once he came among us, A friend of all has gone to rest.

His memory will linger with us Inshadowed by a single thought, We thank our God for giving to us This man who has such lessons taught.

Mr. Estey leaves a widow and two sons; the oldest, Carl, was at one time field representative of the U. T. A. and later director of membership relations.

Women Erect New Plant Construction of one of the best equipped newspaper plants between New York and Buffalo is the achievement of the Hornell Tribune-Times, a small-city evening daily with the unique distinction of having an executive staff composed entirely of women.

The Tribune-Times' new plant cost in the neighborhood of \$150,000, and is in the heart of the business district.

The three women who conduct the paper are Mrs. W. H. Greenhow, president and chief stockholder; Mrs. Olive G. Buish. general manager; Miss S. Mabel Wombough, editor.

Charley Estey Dies in Los Angeles

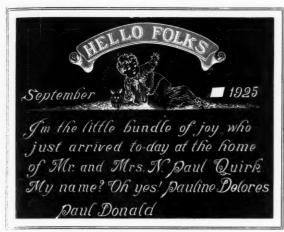
WHEN we were going to press with the last forms of THE INLAND PRINTER for November, word came to us that Charley Estey had died at his home in Los Angeles, Monday, October 19, fifty-five

years of age. Mr. Estey won for himself a job as the first advertising director of typothetae by an address to the convention in Cincinnati in 1918. The address was so eloquent and its delivery so forceful that

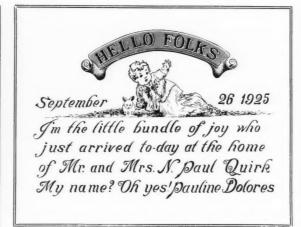


Salt Lake Business Men Visit Porte Publishing Company

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While the Porte Publishing Company has been housed in its own building in its present location for two and a half years, and for seven years prior to that time had its offices in a downtown office building, comparatively few Salt Lake business men, aside from those engaged in the printing trades, knew anything about such an institution in their midst, or the purpose of its existence. Now, however, this condition bids fair to take a change. The local reputation of the Porte Publishing Company has been spreading until both it and its founder, R. T. Porte, are becoming known to the other business interests in Salt Lake as factors in the city's progress that are worthy of note and recognition. Recently the Board of Governors of the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce called in a body to learn more of an institution that is doing its bit toward putting Salt Lake —a city already famous for many things — still ruther in the forefront. They stayed and partook of refreshments provided for them by the management, and then posed for this photo with members of the Porte organization. Mr. Porte will be seen near the center of the group next to Beverly S. Clendenin, the president of the Chamber of Commerce. The other visiting members of the Board of Governors were Malcolm A. Keyser, Sherman T. Armstrong, R. J. Frosteh, H. C. Goodrich, Lafayette Hanchett, Nephi J. Hansen, Albert Merrill, Adrian B. Pembroke, Imer Pett, John D. Stack, William T. Patrick, and Joseph H. Rayburn, secretary.



First Stage, Wood Cut Engraved Intaglio



Zylotype From Wood Cut

Zylotype, a New Form of Wood Engraving

T is now some time since Nicholas Paul Quirk, the young wood engraver of Chicago, was featured in this magazine. In an article entitled "Nick Quirk, 'Woodpecker,' "in our March, 1917, issue—during Nick Jr.'s apprenticeship under the tutelage of his father—he was commended for his wood engraving of the late President Woodrow Wilson, a work which was autographed by Mr. Wilson and later secured for the young wood engraver a diploma from the Imperial Art Institute of Tokyo, Japan. Now we present a unique example of his craftsmanship in another and newer field of endeavor.

The birth announcement printed herewith was drawn and engraved intaglio on boxwood by Mr. Quirk, as shown in first stage, and then reversed on copper, yielding a relief plate called zylotype, a new method invented by A. P. Gustavson, of Chicago, for securing better results in the art of printing.

The wood-engraved portraits of the older Mr. Quirk have won international recognition, as evidenced in a sheaf of complimentary letters from dignitaries and art connoisseurs in Europe, India, Australia and the Orient, particularly his original engraving of the late President Theodore Roosevelt, which was published in The Inland Printer for February, 1920. This engraving was O. K.'d by Mr. Roosevelt and was awarded a medal for excellence. It was pronounced by Edward B. Clark, of Washington, D. C., to be the most "characteristic likeness of my departed friend," and it is the portrait that is now used by the Roosevelt Memorial Association on its official stationery.

The manufacturers also state that on account of its high average output, maintained at platen press costs, the Master-Speed is establishing a lower standard of costs per thousand units.

The Master-Speed is now in operation in some of the leading shops throughout the country, these installations resulting from demonstrations conducted in a few of the printing centers.

Lower Rents

Rental values appear to be definitely on the downward trend, according to reports from 179 localities throughout the United States to the cost of living department of the National Industrial Conference Board, New York.

Rents of small houses and apartments, such as are occupied by families of moderate means, within the year ended last July show an average drop of 3¾ per cent. The highest rents within a decade were obtained over a year ago, in July, 1924, when average rental values for the country were 86 per cent higher than in 1914. Thereafter, rents on the average declined slowly but steadily, until last July they had dropped to a point only 79 per cent higher than the prewar level.

The greatest net increase in rents since prewar days at present obtains in Los Angeles, where average rental values of moderately sized homes last July were still somewhere between 131 and 140 per cent higher than they were in 1914. Rents were highest in Los Angeles about a year ago, when they were between 161 and 170 per per cent higher than the prewar level. San Francisco rents, on the other hand, show only a net advance of something between 41 and 50 per cent over the prewar level.

New Addition to the Miller Line

THE Miller Saw-Trimmer Company, Pittsburgh, manufacturers of the Miller "High-Speed" automatic cylinder press, Miller platen press feeders and Miller saw-trimmers, announce a new Miller creation, the Miller Master-Speed jobber, popularly styled the "Printer's Greyhound."

It is stated the Master-Speed is everything its name indicates—a massively constructed, perfectly balanced, light-running mechanism, wholly automatic in operation, with running speeds up to 3,600 impressions an hour—ample speed range to meet maximum practical production limits of any job within its form size, from simple type forms to highest grade halftone and close-register colorwork.

The Master-Speed jobber is equipped with what is claimed to be the most thorough ink distribution ever applied to a platen press—a large ink table in combination with vibrating cylinder, two double distributing rollers, ductor roller, full width fountain and four form rollers, each two of which are surmounted by a steel vibrator.

The sheet-feeding and delivery mechanisms are factors that contribute to greater efficiency, productivity and economy. It is claimed that no automatic sheet-handling device ever offered the printer is so simple and positive in operation, so easily and quickly adjusted and so readily understood.



The New Miller Master-Speed Jobber

Printing Ranks Third in New York

The Merchants' Association of New York city recently announced that the printing trades ranked third in that city's industries in 1923, with a yearly product of \$488,-880,939, employing 47,095 workers in 2,546 plants. The newspapers and periodicals lead in the printing trades, with a yearly product worth \$281,236,055. The book and job plants employ 21,479 workers, with a product worth \$148,867,642 a year.

Chicago a Great Printing Center

DURING a two-year period prior to 1924 Chicago printers and publishers and the allied interests added several hundred new plants to the city's total, increased their pay rolls by thousands of wage earners, and swelled the value of their products by several millions of dollars, according to a recent survey made by the Association of Commerce.

The survey showed that the largest printing plants, the largest binderies, and the greatest composition plants are now located in Chicago. The percentage of expansion in the publishing industry of the six leading

cities of the country from 1899 to 1923 is: Chicago, 96.9; New York, 42.2; Philadelphia, 24.6; Boston, 13.1; St. Louis, 38.8, and San Francisco, 30.6.

A number of New York periodicals carrying a New York date line are now printed on Chicago presses, and are distributed from Chicago at a big saving in postal cost.

Chicago is also one of the leading producers of advertising in the United States, fifty-five per cent of the advertising originating in the country being placed in the northern part of the Mississippi Valley, the center of which is Chicago.

typography, an object which seems to have been admirably attained, judged by the result of the contest. Nearly every advertisement submitted showed excellent taste in type selection and understanding of the rules of typography regarding display values. In reporting his selections, Clarence Gasselin, one of the contest judges, said: "Your committee is to be warmly commended and congratulated on the result of its efforts to improve the future printer craftsman, as evidenced in the very creditable examples of ad.-setting shown, for each and every specimen bespeaks careful thought and keen interest."

The judges found it necessary to divide first honors between Sydney Wheeler, of the Christian Science Monitor composing room, and Fred Crocker, of the Boston Post. Third prize went to Irving Stanley, also of the Monitor. Six others received honorary mention. We publish on this page the two ads. tied for first place.

Printers at Mergenthaler Dinner

The third annual fall festival and trade conference, with dinner tendered to the printers of Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island and Staten Island by the Mergenthaler Linotype Company, was held at linotype headquarters in Brooklyn, Tuesday evening, November 17. The regular monthly meeting of the Brooklyn Printers' Group of the New York Employing Printers' Association was held in conjunction with the festival and conference. About two hundred persons participated.

Fred C. Grumman, manager of the New York agency, introduced C. A. Hanson, vice-president and general works manager, who welcomed the guests on behalf of the Mergenthaler organization. Ernest F. Eilert, the newly elected president of the United Typothetae of America, spoke on "Why a Printer Should Be Guided by the Trade's Code."

Officers of the Brooklyn Printers' Group are John B. Brady, president; John M. Lester, vice-president; William A. Walter, treasurer; Byron M. Connell, secretary; Charles G. McCoy, executive secretary.

"Esparto" Paper Tested

Pulped "esparto"—a wild grass indigenous to southern Spain—has just been tried out by experimental paper tests at the Bureau of Standards, as a new papermaking stock. Abroad it is known for its fine papermaking qualities. It can now be delivered partially pulped to American mills at attractive rates. Since it is now economical to consider it in American papermaking, the Bureau of Standards made up on semicommercial scale samples of esparto paper with the imported stock. The laboratory tests of the finished product are now ready for American industry.

The bureau reports that the imported samples of partially pulped esparto gave, after cleaning, a sixty per cent yield of papermaking fiber, and that the resulting esparto paper was stronger than soda pulp paper.

While paper may be made from any kind of fiber, esparto is one of the few from which it can be made economically.

Apprentice Ad.-Setting Contest in Boston

THE apprentice committee of Boston Typographical Union recently conducted an ad.-setting contest in newspaper composing rooms and commercial shops. The contest was a success in every way. The copy, written by Leslie Eugene Denni-

son, featured the lessons in printing issued by the International Typographical Union under the direction of John W. Chambers, educational director. The idea back of the enterprise was to awaken among the apprentices an increased appreciation of good

note this truth.

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THE Printed Page carries the message of Civilization to the world. Theory must march with Practice. The man who knows why he is doing a certain thing always commands attention. A piece of printing is something more than letters, rules, ornaments and pictures stamped on paper: it is a message from the intelligence of the writer and designer to the many.

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First-By Sydney Wheeler

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Chicago Printers Join Hands in New Organization

ARMISTICE DAY, 1925, is likely to prove a new milestone in the fortunes of the printing industry in Chicago, as on that day a new printers' organization was formed; or, rather, two existing organizations were consolidated: the Printing Trades Association and the Master Printers' Federation. When the Franklin-Typothetae of Chicago kicked the bucket in 1923, some of the groups of the parent organization, such as the Franklin Association, the Open Shop Employing Printers Association, the Trade Composition Association, the North Side Printers' Guild, the West and Northwest Side Printers Association, and the Calumet Ben Franklin Club, continued to serve its members in one form or another. Then Joseph Borden managed to get together the larger color printers in an organization called the Printing Trades Association. A year or so later the Master Printers' Federation was formed with the laudable object of uniting all these scattered bodies in one organization, but with scant success up to a short time ago. The consolidation which was effected at the meeting on Armistice Day was practically the first fruit of a long and tedious effort in this direction.

The new organization starts out with a membership representing practically sixty per cent of the printing production in Chicago. Joseph A. Borden, who fathered the three-year plan of the United Typothetae of America and brought it to a successful culmination, is the managing director of the new organization; Fred W. Randolph, who

for a number of years was field director of typothetae and since the organization of the Master Printers' Federation has been its director, is the executive secretary.



Joseph A. Borden

Managing Director of the Chicago Master Printers'
Federation

The consolidation meeting was an enthusiastic and impressive one. When the corpse of animosity was carried into the hall and its somber pallbearers sounded the death knell of strife and price-cutting, it was evident to all concerned that if the organization would be allowed to proceed as it had started, a better day was dawning for the printing industry in Chicago.

National Editorial Association is the only group of any size ever actually invited by the motion picture makers to visit their studios. It is hoped and believed that a goodly number of editors will take this chance to see how motion pictures are made.

Arrangements for entertaining the Southern California Editorial Association in Hollywood on its recent outing were made by Judge Harlan G. Palmer, editor of the Hollywood Citizen, and Ben H. Read, managing director of the association, who has been meeting with marked success in developing that association into one of the strongest newspaper organizations of the United States.

The K. & G. Seal and Label Press

A new model of the K. & G. automatic seal and label press now prints two colors over any portion or over the entire surface of the form as well as center printing of the second color. The K. & G. prints in one or two colors, embosses, creases and die cuts labels or seals automatically in one operation. Every impression produces one or more finished labels ready for packing. Because the operation of these machines is entirely automatic and the speed is from 2,500 to 3,000 impressions an hour, the cost of production is surprisingly low. The cutting, embossing and printing dies are integral with one another, and as all these operations are performed at the same time, dead register is an absolute certainty. The cost of these combined dies is less than the cost of the aggregate individual dies to do the same work. The Columbian Overseas Corporation, New York city, is the American distributor for the K. & G. press.

New Electric Casting Box

Electricaster Service, Incorporated, is the name of a company formed at Omaha, Nebraska, for the manufacture of a new electric casting box, and the inauguration of a weekly mat service for newspapers, to be used in connection with the box. E. E. Beard, president, and inventor, has spent many years perfecting the device, which is said to make small stereotyping and matmaking easy and rapid. It will be distributed through the Western Newspaper Union, all branches.

California Editors Celebrate in Los Angeles

IN CELEBRATION of Los Angeles having been selected as the place for the 1926 convention of the National Editorial Association, members of the Southern California Editorial Association visited Hollywood and spent a few days in the movie studios, meeting and chatting with movie stars. The illustrations below show (left) the members at Hollywoodland; at right some of the members interviewing Colleen Moore, First

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National star, relative to plans for entertaining the nation's editors during their convention. At Miss Moore's left is Governor Friend W. Richardson, president of the California Press Association. At her right is J. R. Gabbert, of the Riverside Enterprise, president of the Southern California Editorial Association, the organization which sponsored the movement to take the national association to California. The



California Newspapermen at Hollywoodland



Colleen Moore Entertaining Newspapermen in Hollywood

To Keep Government Out of Business

A REBELLION is taking form against the constant and growing intrusion of the government into the field of business activity. After watching bureaucracy extend itself amazingly during the postwar years in federal, state, county and city governments to the detriment of private initiative, leaders in all types of business pursuits are now making plans to offer stubborn resistance.

The first marker of the new movement is found in plans for a mass meeting of industrial leaders to be held at Washington, December 10. The official call is now in the hands of executives of three hundred trade

associations and other industrial organizations. A preliminary meeting has already been held, with representatives of twentytwo leading trade associations present, at which a planning committee was appointed to issue the call for the December meeting and suggest a program of action.

The meeting, leaders of the movement now in Washington declare, will not be directed against governmental regulation of industry, but its full force will be thrown into opposition of the practice under which taxpaying business firms are forced to finance the government in its activities as a competitor. rest on the shoulders of his son. There are not many printing plants in America that have survived the vicissitudes of business for over a century.

"Fifty Prints of the Year" Exhibition

To its traveling exhibitions, "Fifty Books of the Year" and "Commercial Printing," the American Institute of Graphic Arts has added "The Fifty Prints of the Year." Burton Emmett, presiding at the opening exhibition in the Art Center, New York, on November 18, said that the A. I. G. A. has been animated by the desire to serve the following constructive ends: (1) Give recognition to outstanding contemporary American achievement in the graphic arts; (2) widen the range of influence of such distinguished work by presenting it adequately to the American public; (3) encourage production by such increased support as wider acquaintance insures.

William M. Ivins, Jr., curator of prints at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the principal speaker at the opening, highly commended the "propaganda" of the A. I. G. A. toward educating the public in the appreciation of prints. There are really two exhibitions of twenty-five prints each; one, which might be called the conservative group, was selected by Ernest D. Roth, etcher and also ex-president of the Brooklyn Society of Etchers, while the "modern school prints were chosen by Ralph M. Pearson, etcher and author of "How to See Modern Pictures." The great diversity of art expression in these "Fifty Prints of the Year" will surely bring about warm discussion of the merits of the individual prints wherever they are shown.

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The Direct-Mail Convention and Exposition

THE eighth annual convention and exposition of the Direct Mail Advertising Association was held at the Mechanics building in Boston, October 28 to 30. While absolutely accurate records are not yet obtainable, it was probably the biggest and best convention that this organization has ever held. Over 1,800 registered delegates and 250 university students attended the business sessions, and 30,000 visitors viewed the exhibits and exposition.

One of the outstanding exhibits was furnished by a group of New England photoengravers who had five booths, making theirs the largest single exhibit of the whole exposition. In the center of this space was hung a large oil painting, around which were arranged progressive and finished proofs showing the steps necessary in the production of a set of four-color process halftones. Arranged on either side of this were panel exhibits of four, three and two color process halftones, halftones with tint blocks, zinc color plates, high-light, combination, outlined and vignetted, square and coarse screen halftones, halftones direct from the object, and line etchings.

The end panels were given over to signs bearing the names of the firms who contributed to the expense of the exhibit. At either side were signs of the American association slogan, "Your Story in Picture Leaves Nothing Untold." In the center floor space was a display table showing various steps necessary in the production of a zinc etching and of a halftone. A small piece of machinery was mounted on a pedestal, and photographs, plates and proofs were arranged in consecutive order showing fifteen operations necessary in the production of each finished plate. This feature was highly instructive and aroused a great deal of interest.

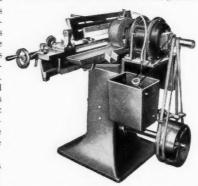
As usual, the convention program was brimful of informative addresses, covering practically every subject of mail advertising. G. Lunn Sumner, president of the Association of National Advertisers, opened program with a spirited address on the theme, "We Are Beginning to Find Out Something About People," in which he said:

Great corporations spend immense sums in their laboratories to perfect their product, but they spend little in learning about the reaction of people to their product, or their sales and advertising appeals. It has been found, by investigation, that groups of people react very similarly under similar circumstances, so that it is possible to make tests and deductions according to the law of averages. Selling is like baseball: it depends on the average work of the team, and not on the stars alone.

Charles R. Weirs, of the National Shawmut Bank, Boston, was reelected president of the association.

Motor-Driven Knife Grinder

Samuel C. Rogers & Co., Buffalo, New York, have placed on the market a new direct-connected motor-driven knife grinder.



It is used in printing plants for grinding paper trimming knives, as well as paper and barker knives in pulp and paper mills, and is made in five sizes.

Fifty Years a Master Printer

Hon. John D. H. Gauss, one of the best known printers of Essex county, Massachusetts, completed fifty years in the business on November 8, and his employees took note of the fact by placing a large basket of chrysanthemums on his desk.

The business which he conducts with the help of his son, John W. Gauss, is a long established one. It was started in 1823 and has been in successful operation ever since. The house published the *Observer*, a weekly paper, for ninety-seven years, but in the exigencies of the World War it passed out of existence. Mr. Gauss is well known in political circles, having been representative in the Legislature from Salem and senator from the second Essex district. He is in excellent health and spends every day in the office, though the bulk of the business cares

Library Association Completes Survey

After more than two years of careful investigation the Special Libraries Association has completed its second survey of business and technical libraries. The survey shows that the rapid growth of business literature has resulted in a material increase in the number of business libraries. Excluding all but strictly "special" collections, the survey shows a total of 975 libraries, of which number almost six hundred are largely or wholly concerned with business problems.

The results of the survey have been published in the form of a national directory of business and technical libraries of the United States. The directory was compiled by May Wilson, librarian of the New York Merchants' Association, and edited by Rebecca B. Rankin, librarian of the New York Municipal Reference Library. An interesting introduction is contributed by John Cotton Dana, librarian of the Newark Free Public Library.

The directory describes American special libraries and lists them according to the general subject covered. It reveals a great wealth of specialized business information sources which are usually difficult to locate. Ready reference is facilitated by means of title, subject and geographic indexes. Copies of the directory may be purchased from Gertrude D. Peterkin, treasurer of the association, Room 2513, 195 Broadway, New York city.

Two Men Whose Work Greatly Benefits All Typographers

BELOW we publish the portrait of two men whose work has been of vital importance to printing, both as an industry and as an art. They are father and son. All the matrices used in composing machines throughout the world are made by machines and appliances invented by Linn Boyd Benton. Without matrices the composing machines now in use would be as meffective as cases without type. Mr. Benton's original steel punch-engraving machine removed an insurmountable obstacle to the success of the composing machines. In connection with this great achievement Mr. Benton devised an entirely original method of making matrices that has increased production, reduced costs and improved type faces.

Mr. Benton did not have composing machines in mind when he invented his punchengraving machine. He is a typefounder. He invented his engraving machine and its correlative apparatus for the use of typefoundries. Hearing of the invention, Philip T. Dodge, of the linotype company, and Mr. Lanston, inventor of the monotype composing machine, came to him for help in their dilemma. After Mr. Benton had sold his typefoundry (Benton, Waldo & (o., Milwaukee) and his inventions to the American Type Founders Company, he became a director of the latter company and was appointed manager of its general manufacturing department. It is because the senior Benton is enamored of his work that he has become known as the greatest of typefounders and one of the most important factors in establishing the leadership achieved by the American Type Founders Company, for which company he extended the utility of his punchengraving machine by adapting it to engraving matrices direct. This eliminated the use of punches in making type.

In the typemaking division of the American Type Founders Company there is scarcely a tool, apparatus, machine or process the efficiency of which has not been advanced by Mr. Benton's inventive genius. Unlike many inventors, he is a thorough mechanic and himself translates his inventive ideas into practical mechanical movements. From his daily work and studies in improvements in typemaking every user of types derives daily advantages.

Morris Fuller Benton, graduate of Cornell University, entered the employ of the American Type Founders Company in 1896. When the central plant of the American Type Founders Company was established in Jersey City a type-designing department was created - the first in the history of typemaking - and young Benton was put in charge of it. Since that time almost every type face shown in the type-specimen book of the American Type Founders Company has derived its design quality from the head and hands of the younger Benton. His first great success was the Century type family, which has had sales second only to those of the Cheltenham. The parent designs of the latter type family were Cheltenham Old Style and Cheltenham Italic. The design originated with the late Bertram Goodhue, a famous architect; but, like almost every design submitted to a typefoundry by artists who are uninstructed in the technique of typemaking, the original design had to be redrawn to



The Bentons Conferring Upon a Type Design Photo by Charles H. Davis, New York.

conform to limitations created by molds and peculiar word combinations. Having made Mr. Goodhue's design practicable, Mr. Benton then proceeded to develop the whole Cheltenham family; all were designed by the younger Benton and have had a world-wide use. No matter who copied and made the members of this best selling of all type families, Morris Fuller Benton's

work gave those types their merit and popularity. To the younger Benton the printers of the world owe the brilliant reproductions and adaptations and extensions of ancient historic type faces such as the Cloister, Bodoni and Garamond type families, which now dominate American typography and confirmed the leadership of the American Type Founders Company in type fashions. In other words, the younger Benton's work as a type designer has had a wide range of application through copyists, in addition to that given to it by the types cast by the American Type Founders Company, whose type designs during the last two decades have been the greatest influence for better typography. In the field of type design men have made themselves conspicuous by two or three designs which, however good, have a limited range of use. What shall be said of the younger Benton. whose designs cover every requirement of typography; who has produced the greatest type successes of this century; yet has considered these achievements as "all in a day's work," and has never sought or received any notoriety through advertising's artful aid? No other type designer has done such good work with less pretension; no other type designer has produced so many designs that are in daily use by the printers everywhere. The good reputation enjoyed by the American Type Founders Company was created and is maintained by the high administrative and technical abilities of its departmental heads and the unity of spirit with which they do their work. Fortunately, too, the work that benefits the company can not fail to benefit the printers.

New Intertype "Mixer" Machine

THE Intertype Corporation has announced a new standardized machine of the "mixer" type—a machine with which matrices from two or more magazines can be assembled in the same line and automatically distributed. The machine carries two "main" magazines; two "side" magazines can be furnished with it, as shown in the accompanying illustration. The main magazines are standard and are interchangeable on all standardized intertypes. The side magazines are extra wide, with thirty-four channels; matrices from both can be mixed in the same line with matrices from both of the main magazines.

The assembling mechanism is quite like that of other standardized intertypes, except that by means of two sets of escapements and escapement rods the machine is designed for instant change from one magazine to the other. The changes are made with convenient light-touch levers; the magazines can be removed from the rear, as on all other standardized intertypes.

The distributing mechanism is simple. It consists of one distributor box, which is easily accessible and removable, two distributor bars (side by side) with the usual conveyor screws, and a double channel entrance built as a single unit.

This "mixer" is the result of careful planning, as the Intertype Corporation

spent much time and effort in finding out what kind of machine printers and publishers wanted. An outside agency was employed for research work, and a man familiar with sluggasting machines visited



New Two-Magazine Intertype "Mixer" With Two-Magazine Side Unit

scores of plants to get first-hand advice from printers, publishers, superintendents, composing-room foremen, machinists and operators.

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Direct Advertising Trophy Awarded

Considerable interest was displayed in the contest recently conducted by The Cleveland Folding Machine Company for the best piece of direct advertising produced in the year preceding the Boston D. M. A. A. convention. More than three hundred entries were received from all parts of the country. The committee of judges, headed by Harry B. Kirtland, University Press, Cambridge, Massachusetts, spent a great deal of time before making the final selection.

The trophy was awarded to Brooke, Smith & French, Detroit. Honorable mention was given to the following seven firms:

Smith & Porter Press, Boston, Massachusetts. The Livermore & Knight Company, Providence, Rhode Island.

The Diamond T Motor Car Company, Chicago.
The Strathmore Paper Company, Mittineague,
Massachusetts

The Localized Advertising Corporation, Detroit. The Devoe & Raynolds Company, New York. Miller Saw-Trimmer Company, Pittsburgh.

The considerations of the judges were logical development of the thought, display and presentation, regardless of the number of folds used. The contest will be held again next year, and another plaque made up and presented to the winner for his permanent possession.

Craftsman Paper Cutter

The Chandler & Price Company announces a new 34½-inch automatic paper cutter which will be ready for the market



The Craftsman Paper Cutter

shortly. It has been named the C. & P. Craftsman to distinguish it from other Chandler & Price cutters, as its design and construction are entirely new.

Personal and Other Mention

THE WEST VIRGINIA PULP & PAPER COM-PANY has just opened a Pacific Coast sales office at 503 Market street, San Francisco, under the management of George L. Rodier.

ACCORDING to an announcement made recently by Malcolm Muir, chairman of the Committee on Reforestation of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, every advertising club in the United States and Canada will be asked to coöperate with the program of the American Forestry Association in carrying out plans for American Forest Week, which will probably be observed in April of next year.

THE CLEVELAND ADVERTISING CLUB recently passed a resolution condemning "hodge-podge and black smudges" in newspaper advertising copy.

THE J. A. RICHARDS COMPANY, Kalamazoo, Michigan, announces that it has enlarged the capacity of the jig saw arm on its de luxe composing and die room saw-trimmer to twenty-four inches.

Over one hundred linotype machinists of New York city and vicinity attended a dinner given in their honor Tuesday evening, November 10, by the Mergenthale Linotype Company, at linotype headquarters in Brooklyn. Many speeches were made.

THE EMPIRE TYPE FOUNDRY, Delevan, New York, has placed on the market a handy newspaper or file binder, and suggests that the beginning of the New Year would be a splendid time to start a binder filing system of this kind.

The quotation, "There is honor in business," appearing as the frontispiece in the October issue of The Inland Printer, was in error credited to Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. It should have been credited to H. H. Longfellow.

Alfred Archer has been made assistant manager of the foreign department of the Mergenthaler Linotype Company, with headquarters in Brooklyn, New York. Mr. Archer has been connected with the company for the last twenty-one years.

THE DENNISON MANUFACTURING COM-PANY, Framingham, Massachusetts, has placed on the market a booklet entitled "The Printer's Service Book of Gummed Labels," which contains valuable suggestions in the matter of labels. It may be had for the asking.

ARTHUR N. Hoskins has joined the staff of Douglas C. McMurtrie, Incorporated, New York city. He was associated for several years with the Curtis Publishing Company in Philadelphia, as well as with the American Lithographic Company and the Encyclopedia Britannica.

CHARLES L. MITCHELL, president of the National Association of Stationers, Office Outfitters and Manufacturers, has traveled over 32,500 miles since the first of the year. He has made a speech about every five hundred miles of that distance, sometimes two; has sat through one hundred banquets and has listened to some 3,266 other afterdinner speakers, it is stated.

THE CONTINENTAL TYPEFOUNDERS ASSOCIATION is a new organization with offices at 248 West Fortieth street, New York city, whose object is to furnish the printers of this country with types of foreign make. The organization represents a number of high-grade European typefounders. The first type specimen book is now on the press. A copy may be had by any one interested in foreign type faces. Douglas C. McMurtrie, the well known typographer, is vice-president of the organization.

Forrest V. Webster, formerly of the advertising department of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, Chicago, has been appointed advertising manager of the Cutler-Hammer Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

JOHN N. Ives has joined the sales organization of the J. F. Tapley Company, Long Island City, New York. Mr. Ives has long been identified with the binding industry having been a member of the firm of Edwin Ives & Sons, before its consolidation with J. J. Little & Co., New York city.

ON JUNE 12, 1925, The Strobridge Lithographing Company, Cincinnati, purchased the plant and assets of the Henderson Lithographing Company, Norwood, Ohio. The plant will be operated by a new corporation of the same name, which has been organized under the laws of Ohio.

THE BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR of 1926 will be held in London and Birmingham. February 15 to 26. Large numbers of buyers visit the United Kingdom during fair time, and this item will be of interest to manufacturers. The British fair precedes the Leipsic fair by about fourteen days.

CHARLES H. COCHRANE, who has bought out his partners in the Utility Heater Company, Incorporated, will continue the business of manufacturing sheet heaters and neutralizers as the Utility Heater Company, and is again making his headquarters at the New York city office. William Neumann is no longer connected with the concern.

THE UTAH STATE PRESS ASSOCIATION has planned to hold summer meetings in different sections of the state, to take in the scenery and inspect the industries prominent in these sections, a report of which later is to be published as a bulletin and sent to the various newspapers of the state. The latest bulletin, just issued, tells about Logan City and the famous Cache Valley.

THE EMPIRE STATE SCHOOL OF PRINTING, Syracuse, New York, is to have a course in engraving. This was announced by Director Ross W. Kellogg at a meeting of the New York State Publishers' Association at Syracuse recently. The new department will train young men in the technical work of making engravings. The course was made possible through the generosity of a group of New York citizens.

THE MONTHLY cost of living index number of the National Industrial Conference Board was nine-tenths of one per cent higher on October 15, 1925, than on September 15, 1925. Clothing, shelter, light and sundries showed no change, while the average prices of the other items showed increases. Food increased 1.9% and the average price of coal advanced only 1.1% during this period, bituminous coal prices for domestic use advancing more than anthracite. Between July, 1920 - the peak of the rise in the cost of living since 1914 - and October, 1925, the cost of living decreased 17%. The increase in the cost of living since 1914 was 69.7%.

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Single copies may be obtained from all news dealers and typefounders throughout the United States and Canada, and subscriptions may be made through the same agencies.

Patrons will confer a favor by sending us the names of responsible news dealers who do not keep it on sale.

ADVERTISING RATES

Furnished on application. The value of The Intand Printer as an advertising medium is unquestioned. The character of the advertisements now in its columns, and the number of them, tell the whole story. Circulation considered, it is the cheapest trade journal in the United States to advertise in. Advertisements, to secure insertion in the issue of any month, should reach this office not later than the fifteenth of the month preceding.

In order to protect the interests of purchasers, advertisers of novelties, advertising devices, and all cash-with-order goods, are required to satisfy the management of this journal of their intention to fulfil honestly the offers in their advertisements, and to that end samples of the thing or things advertised must accompany the application for advertising space.

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RAITHBY, LAWRENCE & Co. (Limited), De Montfort Press, Leicester, England, RAITHBY, LAWRENCE & Co. (Limited), Thanet House, 231 Strand, London, W. C., England.
PENROSE & Co., Farringdon Road, London, E. C., England.
WM. DAWSON & SONS, Cannon House, Breams buildings, London, E. C., England.
ALEK. COWAN & SONS (Limited), General Agents, Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide, Australia.
ALEX. COWAN & SONS (Limited), Wellington, New Zealand.
F. T. WIMBLE & Co., 87 Clarence street, Sydney, N. S. W. H. CALMELS, 150 Boulevard du Montparnasse, Paris, France.
JOHN DICKINSON & Co. (Limited), Cape Town, Durban and Johannesburg, South Africa.
A. OUDSHOORN, 23 Avenue de Gravelle, Charenton, France.

Prices for this department: Under heading "Situations Wanted," 50 cents per line; minimum \$1.00. Under all other headings, price 75 cents per line; minimum \$1.50. Count ten words to the line. Address to be counted. Price the same whether one or more insertions are taken. Cash must accompany order. The insertion of ads. received in Chicago later than the fifteenth of the month preceding publication not guaranteed. We can not send copies of ThE INLAND PRINTER Free to classified advertisers. Remit 40 cents additional if copy is desired.

RUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

OFFICIAL NOTICE—In compliance with Section 22 (b) Constitution, Laws and By-Laws of the Sovereign Camp of the Woodmen of the World, proposals to print and deliver at its office in Omaha, Nebraska, blanks, blank books, stationery, advertising leaflets, constitutions, laws and by-laws, receipts, blank applications, etc., as needed during the period from January 1, 1926, to December 31, 1926, are invited. Specifications and conditions will be furnished on application to W. A. Fraser, Sovereign Commander, and John T. Yates, Sovereign Clerk, Omaha, Nebraska, and will be submitted at the next meeting of the Sovereign Executive Council, it being understood that should any or all of the bids submitted be unsatisfactory, they may be rejected and proposals again invited. W. A. FRASER, JOHN T. YATES, Supply Committee, Sovereign Camp of the Woodmen of the World, Omaha, Nebraska.

A PRINTING PLANT, recognized as one of the best in eastern United States, located in a manufacturing and farming community in Pennsylvania, has openings for two reliable and hustling men; foreman who knows every phase of the business, and linotype machinist operator; willing to give interest to right parties. Two plants, two weekly newspapers, publication and general job printing, big business which can easily be doubled: founder devoted 30 years to business which has grown to such proportions that real efficient help is imperative: chance of life-time to workers; stragglers or pretenders should not apply; shops must be seen to be appreciated. S 386.

YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO PROCURE printers', bookbinders' and box makers' reconditioned machinery at exceptional bargain prices and upon most liberal terms; our present stock contains 40 cylinder presses, over 100 job presses (various makes, all sizes), automatic presses, 30 paper cutters, from 16 to 65 inches, folding machines, wire stitchers, perforators, punching machines, standing presses, cutting and creasing presses, box making and miscellaneous machines: must be sold regardless of cost. Send for revised list. CONNER FENDLER BRANCH, A. T. F. Co., 96 Beekman street, New York city.

AN OPPORTUNITY — Have a printing plant with equipment about \$40,000 doing volume of \$100,000 annually; need help to increase this volume, and would consider one of three things: An associate, one who controls some real business and is willing to back his faith in himself with some capital; consolidation, with another plant, reducing overhead, etc.; outright sale, myself to stay with plant (if required) until trade is established. D 384.

FOR SALE—TRADE COMPOSITION PLANT: 1 Model A Intertype, 9 fonts, 8 magazines; in town of 325,000 (Rochester, N. Y.). Only 3 competitors: 1 three-machine, 1 one-machine, and 1 one-machine and Monotype plant. Great opportunity for hustler, and very reasonable; plant insured for \$4,000 on 80% basis; 11 years old and well established. Make an offer. D 378.

FOR SALE — Splendid printing plant; practically new Intertype, three cylinders, Pony, folders, stitchers, etc.; suburban point twenty miles west of Chicago; price \$30,000 — half cash, balance in work under profitable long-time contract; country newspaper optional. D 374.

SPLENDIDLY EQUIPPED PRINTING OFFICE in manufacturing city of 6,000 in Michigan; one small competitor; reason for selling: ill-health; plant shows \$4,500.00 salary and profit to owner; \$12,000.00, of which \$9,000 must be cash. D 380.

COME TO CALIFORNIA — McNEIL BROS., pioneer druggists' label printers, 591 Mission street, San Francisco, offer their plant and business for sale; sole reason: sickness; rare opportunity. Full particulars on application.

FULLY EQUIPPED printing plant, incorporated and established ten years with going business; reason for selling: owner wishes to retire; favorable terms for quick sale. CONSOLIDATED COMPANY, Erie, Pa.

FOR SALE

LINOTYPE BARGAINS—We have many Model 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, K and L, some with electric pots; these machines will be sold very cheap for spot cash. We also have a number of used linographs of various models which will be sold cheap for cash. If you want a real bargain, write or wire, stating model preferred. Department B, THE LINOGRAPH COMPANY, Davenport,

FOR SALE — Cottrell cylinder press, bed 43 by 62, front fly delivery, geared distributors; good condition; two new all-season rollers, set extra cores, one chase 43 by 56; bargain for quick sale or trade for smaller cylinder. MISSOURI VALLEY PRESS, Kansas City, Mo.

HARRIS TWO-COLOR automatic press for sale; capacity 10,000 per hour; A-1 condition; motor, 41 numbering heads; form size 15 by 19; paging device for coupon books and strip tickets; at a very attractive price. D 273.

FOR SALE — We offer used Kidder roll feed bed and platen and rotary presses of various styles and sizes; your inquiries solicited. GIBBS-BROWER COMPANY, 261 Broadway, New York city; 166 W. Jackson street, Chicago.

Megill's Patent SPRING TONGUE GAUGE PINS



Send for booklet this and other styles

Megill's Gauge Pins for Job Presses

Accurately made and always uniform. We make a large variety to meet all needs. Insist on Megill's products. If not at your dealer's, order from us. Illustrated circular on request.

EDWARD L. MEGILL, Pat. and Mfr. 761-763 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Megill's Patent DOUBLE-GRIP GAUGES



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FOR TRADE — Will trade Monotype keyboard and caster for Linotype or Intertype machine: reason: change in part of our work; machines in good running order. Give details of your machine in first letter. D 383.

FOR SALE — Six single and two two-color roll feed Kidder presses, thoroughly overhauled and guaranteed by us, with cut-off up to 12 by 18 inches. MASON & MOORE, 28-30 E. Fourth street, New York city.

HARRIS AUTOMATIC printing presses, all models and sizes, single and two-color; rebuilt and guaranteed; prompt delivery, fair prices. KONECKY BROS., 252 Pennsylvania avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

LINOTYPE MATS — One full size font of 10-point Elzevir, with small caps, and italics; almost new, used on two small jobs only. POOLE BROTHERS, 85 W. Harrison street, Chicago.

BOOKBINDERS' MACHINERY — New model National book sewing machines: also rebuilt machines. Write for particulars. JOSEPH E. SMYTH CO., 130-136 N. Campbell avenue, Chicago.

TIME CLOCKS — INTERNATIONAL, new, two-color, automatic, style 1116, including rack for 100 employees. LOEWY, 200 Fifth avenue, New York city.

STEEL CLOTHES LOCKERS, CABINETS, several thousand; brand new, all sizes, wonderful values. Baling presses. LOEWY, 200 Fifth avenue, New York.

FOR SALE — One No. 3 Michle press, size 28 by 42; fine condition; priced low for quick sale; must have room for other equipment. D 286.

FOR SALE — One full size font 10-point Century with Century Bold; first-class condition. POOLE BROS., 85 W. Harrison street, Chicago.

"CHEERIES" — New, snappy cuts for holiday printing; sheets free. INDIANA PRINTERS' SUPPLY CO., Indianapolis, Ind.

FOR SALE — Good live job printing shop in northern Indiana city; three job presses; price \$3,000. D 391.

FOR SALE — Miller feeder, 12 by 18; good as new; used but little; \$400.00. RECORD, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

FOR SALE — 53-inch Miehle and Cross feeder, 20-inch foot perforator, 14 by 22 Laureate, 14 by 22 Style Colts. D 369.

FOR SALE - 50-inch Seybold "DAYTON" cutter. D 202.

HELP WANTED

Composing Room

WANTED — Foreman composing room; must be a high-grade capable man and understand the business thoroughly. ZION PRINTING & PUBLISH-ING HOUSE, Zion, III.

Managers and Superintendents

A PRINTING COMPANY located at New Orleans, now printing high-class magazines and journals, desires a manager who is thoroughly capable of managing plant, estimating costs and advancing the business along lines of quality production; plant has three large presses, four linotype machines, other necessary equipment; a good operating organization and is sound financially. To the right party is offered an opportunity to secure an interest in the business, either through investment or percentage of profits or both. D 376.

SPLENDIDLY ESTABLISHED PRINTING PLANT wants competent superintendent; must be genuine go-getter and possess knowledge of estimating; right man seeking permanent location may purchase part interest; references necessary; annual business \$250,000. A. K. FORREST (personal), Box 331, Charleston, W. Va.

SUPERINTENDENT to take complete charge of plant; one thoroughly experienced in sales book manufacture or similar rotary roll printing; unusual opportunity. NATIONAL SALESBOOK COMPANY, Long Island City, N. Y.

WANTED — Foreman, superintendent, capable, experienced; good production; know how to handle help, for printing, steel die engraving, embossing and kindred lines. Write fully first letter. D 389.

Miscellaneous

LEARN LINOTYPING or Intertyping at home, spare time study; steady work \$55 a week. The Thaler system of linotype operation, together with a complete all-metal Thaler keyboard given with each course, makes learning easy and interesting. Write now for details and special short time offer. THALER SYSTEM, 212 Legal bldg., Washington, D. C.

Salesmen

BOSTON PRINTER (medium size shop) requires salesman of proven ability; prefer Boston man now employed in Boston shop who will appreciate fine position with no other salesman except proprietors. This is an exceptional chance for the right man. State qualifications fully and salary wanted, otherwise please do not reply. D 392.

WANTED — Salesman for photoengraving plant to travel in good territory in southeastern Iowa and western Illinois. Write letter, giving experience, references and salary expected. GAZETTE ENGRAVING COMPANY, Burlington, Iowa.

SALESMAN WANTED — Man who thoroughly understands selling bookbinders' supplies, bookbinders' and printers' machinery; good opportunity; state age, experience, where last employed. D 385.

SALESMAN, experienced in selling color printing and lithography, labels and advertising work. Write THE UNION LITHOGRAPH CO., Inc., 739-757 Harrison street, San Francisco, Cal.

INSTRUCTION

INTERTYPE-LINOTYPE INSTRUCTION — Learn to operate Milo Bennett's way; keyboard and lessons for home study or six weeks at practical school in Toledo at trifling cost. We sell Sinclair's book on Mechanism of Intertypes and Linotypes; whatever machines are in use, Bennett's system in conjunction with Sinclair's Book saves hundreds of dollars; every man connected with Bennett's school is a world-beater. Write for literature of almost unbelievable results obtained through study of Bennett's system. MILO BENNETT'S INTERTYPE SCHOOL, Toledo, Ohio.

LINOTYPE INSTRUCTION — Largest linotype school in the country; established 17 years; more than 1,000 have attended; the fastest, easiest method of operating; series of lesson sheets; careful individual instruction; favorite school for printers for years; five weeks, \$100. EMPIRE SCHOOL, 206 East 19th street, New York; telephone, Gramercy 5733.

MISCELLANEOUS

PRINTER'S APRON — Best Khaki; pockets for gauge, tools; postpaid \$1.00. MRS. S. W. VAN TRUMP, 213 Ethan Allen avenue, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

SITUATIONS WANTED

Bindery

WANTED — Situation as finisher or bindery foreman by a capable man who understands the business; 36 years old, married and steady. Can give good references from former employers. D 379.

FIRST-CLASS RULER desires steady situation; 25 years' experience. D 178.

Composing Room

CANADIAN, whose work has received high commendation from trade critics, desires change; anywhere in Canada or U. S.; varied experience in executive positions, layout and estimating. Full particulars, references, etc., to interested firm. D 316.

COMPOSING ROOM FOREMAN or superintendent desires change; allaround printer and layout man; understands monotype system; in charge of medium-size plant; excellent references. Further information, write to D 381.

COMPOSING ROOM FOREMAN, good conscientious executive, desires position on Pacific Coast; close student of typography, with good knowledge of all departments; know how to get work out; non-union. D 377.

SITUATION WANTED — Linotype and Intertype machinist wants position in or near Chicago; union; steady and reliable; day work preferred. D 299

A-1 TYPOGRAPHER desires connection in Ohio, Indiana or Illinois. D 304.

Executives

A REAL MONEY-MAKING executive-superintendent, with a uniformly successful record, thoroughly experienced and consistent, with a managerial policy that gives thoughtful consideration to the individual requirements of customer contact, co-operation and kept promises; well qualified to estimate conservatively and profitably, manage help, speed up work, plan, get results, and figure billing charges; supervise production, purchases and cost system; now giving satisfactory service in New York district; union, middle age, married; will locate permanently anywhere with substantial concern. D 222.

PUBLISHING — Man with extensive experience in manufacturing and shipping end of the book business desires connection where executive capacity and dependability are required; broad experience handling help, selling, correspondence, purchasing, advertising and construction other lines besides book business; not afflicted with mental paralysis when resourcefulness is at premium or new methods needed for bridging time; can gear in quickly with an organization; highest credentials in and outside the business as to ability and character. D 387.

Proofroom

PROOFREADER, 28 years old, college training, five years of experience; thorough, reliable, accurate worker; best references. D 375.

Salesmen

YOUNG ENGLISHMAN (now resident in London, England, and employed as indoor salesman by a firm of printers' general furnishers and machine rebuilders) seeks a chance to make good in a similar capacity in U. S. A. where initiative and integrity are recognized; practical knowledge of printing; particulars, photo, etc. D 388.

PAPER SALESMAN of proven ability, with spare time can handle one or two specialties of merit as side line. D 390.

WANTED TO PURCHASE

WANTED — A rotary magazine press that will print a six by nine paper page and deliver in thirty-two page sections; can use either one or two color machine. Give size, make, serial number and price. D 382.

WANTED TO PURCHASE — A few Chandler & Price job presses, 26-inch cutter and other equipment. State exact condition and price. P. O. BOX 1202, Montgomery, Ala.

WANTED FOR CASH — Harris two-color automatic press, 15 by 18. M. M. ROTHSCHILD, Inc., 712 Federal street, Chicago.

SAVE THE ORIGINALS (Type and Engravings)! PRINT FROM ACCURATE PLATES

FOR FLAT PRINTING: Specify Elgin Shaved Plates. FOR ROTARY PRINTING: Specify Elgin Shaved and Curved Plates.

There Are Reasons. Ask Your Platemaker, or Us.

ELGIN BENDING MACHINE CO., Elgin, Illinois BERTEL O. HENNING SALES AGENCY, 608 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Advertising Service

A "TABLOID" HOUSE-ORGAN — Costs you little to produce: packed full of business getting force. Specimen on request. PRAIGG, KISER & CO., 222 E. Ontario street, Chicago.

Blotters-Advertising

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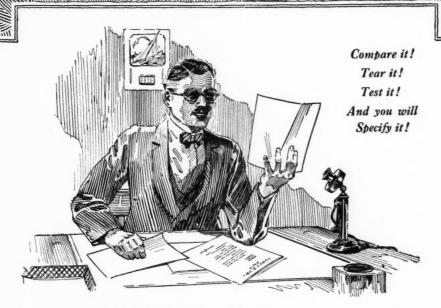
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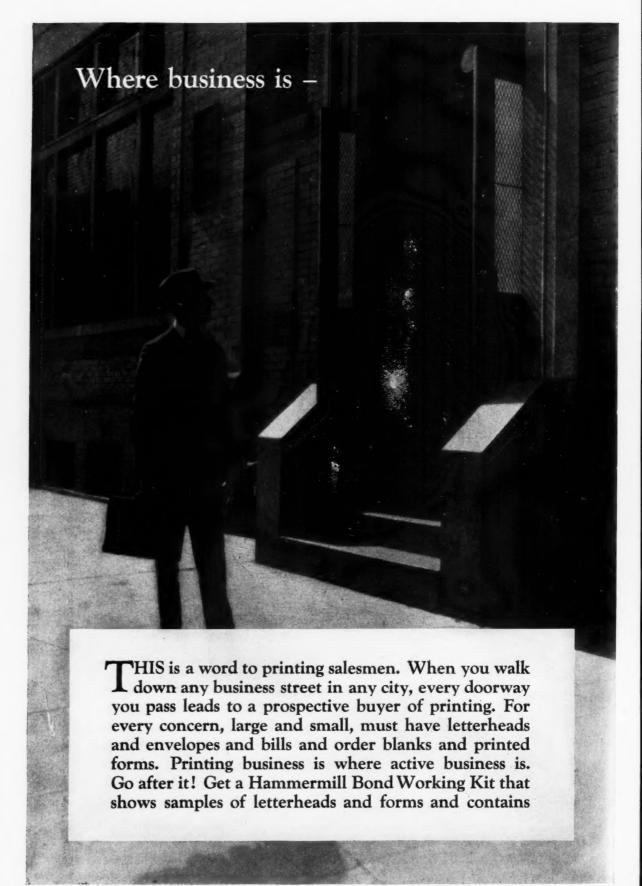
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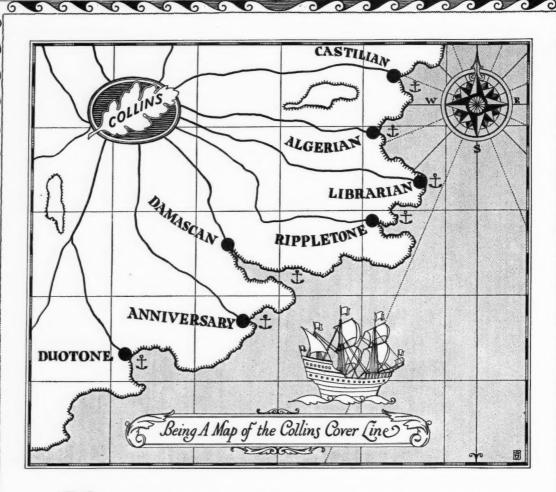
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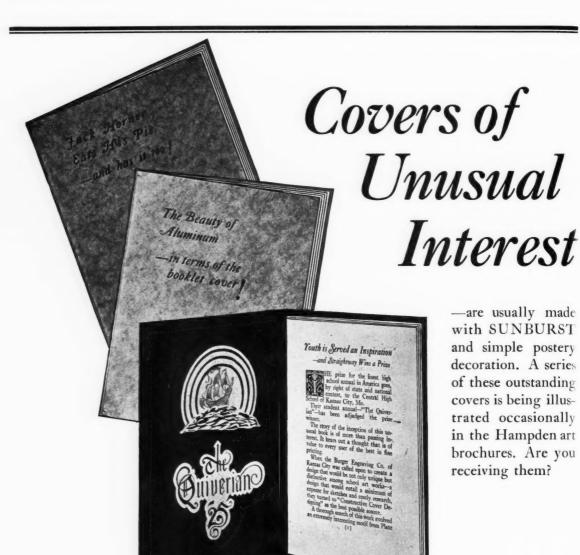
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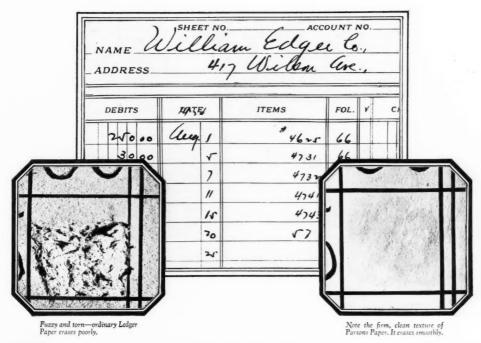
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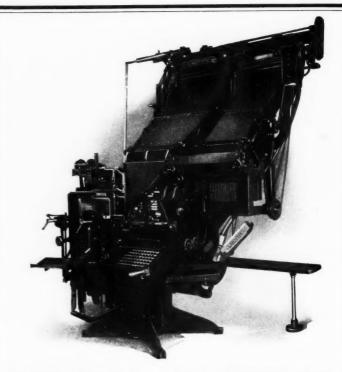
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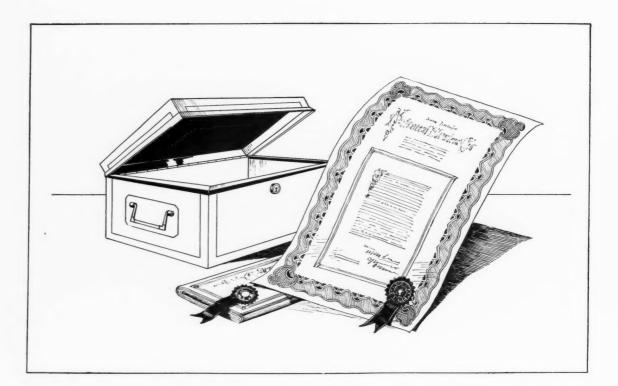
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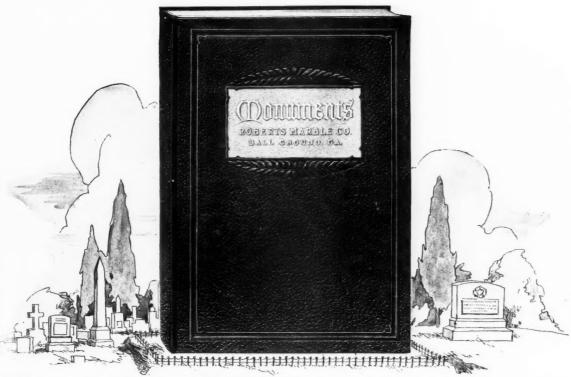
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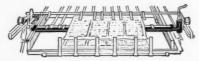


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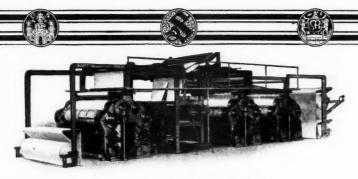


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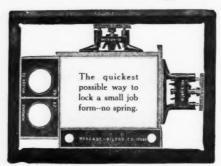
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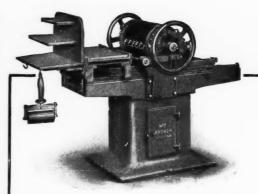
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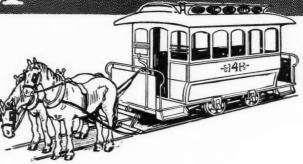
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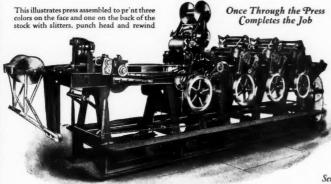
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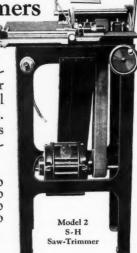
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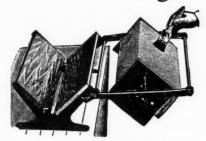
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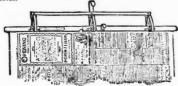


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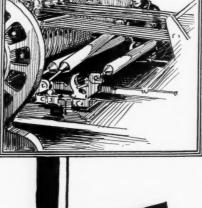
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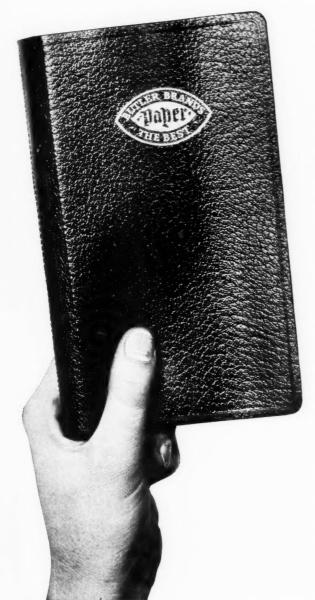
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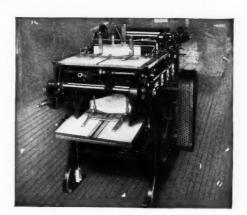
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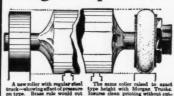
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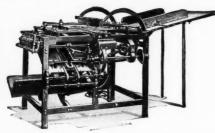
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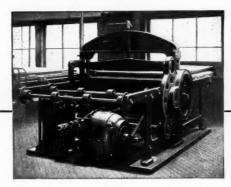


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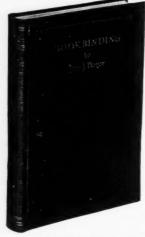
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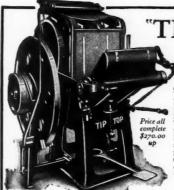
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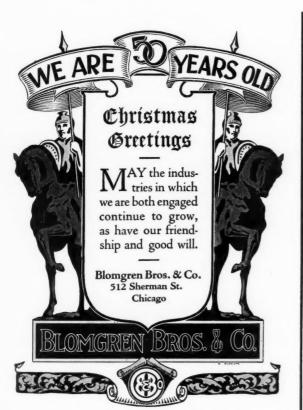
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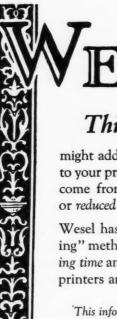
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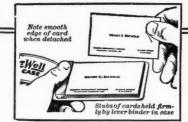
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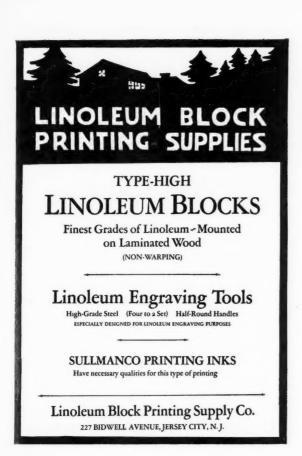
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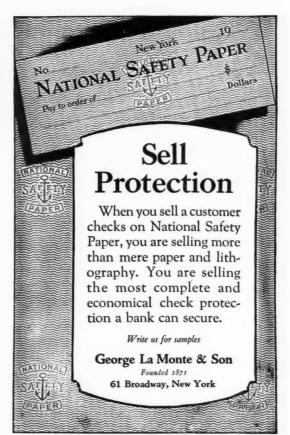
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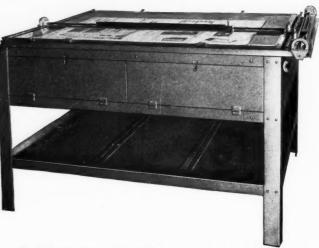
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